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Gemayel backs out of withdrawal treaty

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

Lebanon was torn by violence and uncertainty this week as President Amin Gemayel cancelled the 1983 troop withdrawal pact with Israel and Syria rejected an 8-point plan to defuse the mounting tension.

Meanwhile, rebel forces backed by Syria gained new ground in their battle against the central government, and the Israeli air force bombed what the Israelis said were Palestinian bases along the Lebanese coast and in the mountainous interior.

The multinational peacekeeping force, having all but disintegrated two weeks ago, was an empty shell this week as the U.S. Marines prepared to leave Beirut for ships in Lebanese territorial waters. With the British and Italian contingents already having left, only the French remained behind. But France was calling for a United Nations force to replace the NATO peacekeepers. (See page 2.)

Buckling under to intense pressure exerted by Syria and its Druze and Shiite allies, Gemayel abrogated the May 17 accord, which had represented something of a victory for Israel and the U.S.

The pact, which had envisaged a simultaneous withdrawal of all foreign forces from Lebanon, security provisions for Israel and normalization talks between Israel and Lebanon after an Israeli pullout, died nine months after being signed.

Gemayel, the beleaguered Maronite Christian leader who is fighting for his political life, scuttled the agreement despite a warning by Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir that abrogation would be "a blow to Lebanon's own sovereignty, to its people and to their chances of freeing themselves from the Syrian grip."

Declaring that Israel would not renounce the agreement, or tolerate the re-establishment of PLO bases in Lebanon, Shamir said Israel would now move to protect its interests in southern Lebanon.

Moshe Arens, the Israeli minister of defence, was more specific. Israel, he said, would remain in that country "as long as there is no central government capable of preserving south Lebanon and the security of northern Israel."

Amin Gemayel

In the wake of ditching the 1983 pact, Gemayel presented Syria — the preeminent Arab power in the eastern Mediterranean — with an 8-point plan conveyed to the Syrians by Saudi Arabia.

Denouncing it as an "open trick," Syria said it was unacceptable for two basic reasons: it granted Israeli security

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U.S. releases report on human rights

Israel rapped over W. Bank

By DAVID FRIEDMAN

WASHINGTON [JTA] — The State Department, in its annual report on human rights practices around the world, repeats its assertion that Israel's main human rights problem is due to its control of the West Bank and Gaza Strip and the situation is made worse by the policy of establishing Jewish settlements there.

"The essential fact is that Israel is governed democratically and the West Bank is not," Elliott Abrams, assistant secretary of state for human rights and humanitarian affairs, said at a press conference releasing the State Department's eighth annual country reports on human rights practices.

The 1,457-page report, which covers conditions in 163 countries during 1983, was submitted to the senate foreign relations committee and the House foreign affairs committee.

As in previous reports, the 1983 editions lauds Israel as a free and open parliamentary democracy. "Israeli society is characterized by its openness and by its wide-ranging and lively public debate of all issues of popular concern," the report said.

Police and internal security functions are under the control of the cabinet ministers who must answer to the Knesset concerning the actions of personnel for whom they are responsible and whose performances is subject to the scrutiny of a free press." The report notes that this condition exists even though Israel has been in a state of war with all of its Arab neighbors, except with Egypt since 1979, and has to be constantly alert against terrorist incidents.

But the report adds, "The most significant human rights problems for Israel [in 1983] derived from the strained relations between the Israeli authorities and the Arab inhabitants of the occupied territories. These problems were exacerbated as a consequence of the government's continued implementation of its policy of strengthening, expanding, and developing Jewish settlements in those areas."

This is basically the same finding as in last year's report, although at that time the document specifically mentioned by name the West Bank, Gaza and East Jerusalem. However, the 1983 report does define the occupied territories as the West Bank, East Jerusalem, the Golan Heights and Gaza.

While the report is laudatory about conditions in Israel it does note that while Israeli Arabs have equal rights under the law, they are "substantially powerless and tend to feel alienated. Despite some governmental and private efforts to bridge the

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Israel seeks to ease tensions with Soviets

JERUSALEM [JTA] — Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said last week that Israel is willing to consider a dialogue with the Soviet Union on relations between the two countries and on the Middle East situation in general.

His gesture toward Moscow was apparently prompted by the death of Yuri Andropov and his replacement by Konstantin Chernenko as general secretary of the Communist Party.

But Shamir made it clear that up to now there has been no signs of any improvement in relations between Israel and the Soviet Union. Israel is constantly on the lookout for possibilities of an improvement, he said.

Shamir expressed the hope that the election of Chernenko would mean a re-examination of Soviet policy toward the Middle East and toward Soviet Jewry.

"They could make a substantial contribution to the stability and peace of this vital region of the world by stopping the supply of vast quantities of the most sophisticated weapons to Israel's enemies," Shamir said.

He said the Soviet Union should now "show greater understanding of Israel's national aspirations and legitimate striving."

He also urged Chernenko "to recognize the right of Jews to repatriation in their homeland, Eretz Yisrael, and to open the gates for their exit."

The Soviet Union broke diplomatic relations with Israel during the Six Day War and has since supported the Arab rejectionist front facing Israel.

Yitzhak Shamir

Reagan turns down plea for dialogue with PLO

The Reagan administration has rejected a plea by Egypt for "a direct dialogue" with the PLO, even though the U.S. welcomed last December's dramatic meeting in Cairo between Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and PLO chairman Yasser Arafat.

Israel, meanwhile, has cast doubt on Egypt's commitment to the 1979 peace treaty, following Mubarak's accusation that Israel is to blame for Lebanon's current problems.

Mubarak was in Washington last week, conferring with President Ronald Reagan and King Hussein of Jordan.

Dispensing with the usual diplomatic niceties, Mubarak said in a White House ceremony that the Palestinians are entitled to self-determination and that the PLO, under Arafat, represents the Palestinian people.

The Egyptian head of state, hoping to enlist American support for Jordanian-PLO talks on the basis of Reagan's 1982 peace plan, said that Arafat is a "responsible leader" and that "a dialogue with him will reassure (the Palestinians) and rekindle hope for a better future."

Just to make sure his message was clearly understood, Mubarak said: "The [Palestinians] are entitled to your support and understanding. There is no substitute for a direct dialogue with them through their chosen representative, the PLO."

With Lebanon sliding into further chaos, Mubarak used the opportunity to lambast Israel. Blaming Israel's invasion for "the present sad situation in the area," he urged an immediate and unconditional Israeli withdrawal from Lebanon.

Although he reiterated Egypt's commitment to its peace treaty with Israel, he did not mention the Camp David Accords — to which Egypt is a party — as being the vehicle through which a Middle East settlement can be attained.

Rejecting Mubarak's

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No teaching for Keegstra

By TAMMY KAROL

Former Eckville high school teacher James Keegstra has lost an appeal to get his teaching rights back.

Keegstra requested a 3-member group of the Teachers Professions Appeal Board this month to overturn a verdict of the Alberta Teacher Association's disciplinary committee that his teaching certificate be revoked (see CJN Feb. 16).

But the 3-member board, chaired by Justice Sydney Legg of Edmonton decided to uphold the ATA verdict released last October.

Justice Legg sent a copy of the board's prepared judgment on Feb. 16.

The written document was dated Feb. 15 and the Alberta Department of Education then forwarded a copy of Legg's report to Dr. Reno Bosetti, the deputy minister of education.

Copies of the board's decision are also now in the hands of the ATA, Keegstra, his lawyer, and education minister David King.

Neither the ATA, Keegstra, or Legg himself have released the actual document publicly and have made no comment when they intend to do so.

According to Peggy Garritty, an assistant with the deputy minister of education, only the ATA or Keegstra can legally release the judgement although the government also has a copy of it.

"The parties to the appeal are only Mr. Keegstra and the ATA and the government isn't a direct party, so it can't release the findings," she explained. "It's [the government's] only role was to establish the mechanism so that the appeal take place."

Garritty said the board's decision to uphold the ATA verdict means Keegstra has no other opportunity to make a final appeal.

She added that it's now up to King to review Legg's judgement as he has the power to certify or decertify teachers in the province.

Garritty would not say when King would review the board's decision.

Keegstra was fired from an Eckville high school last year for disobeying a school board order to stop teaching students his theories of a worldwide Jewish conspiracy.

Embassy is in wrong place

JERUSALEM [JTA] — U.S. Ambassador Samuel Lewis said here that he regards Jerusalem as the capital of Israel and knows it is an "affront" to Israel to have the U.S. embassy in Tel Aviv rather than in Jerusalem. It should have been moved there in the 1950s, Lewis said.

The U.S. envoy made his remarks to 70 American Jewish leaders representing the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations at a dinner at the Jerusalem Hilton.

He explained that over the year it had become difficult for the U.S. to transfer its embassy to Jerusalem because of the belief that the move would harm the U.S. ability to make peace in the Middle East.

The situation could be resolved eventually only through a peace agreement that included a section on Jerusalem, Lewis said. The Senate foreign relations committee is scheduled to hold a hearing this week on a resolution by Sen. Daniel Moynihan [D.N.Y.] asking that the embassy be moved to Jerusalem.

World-National

Mideast role of Murphy leaves doubts

By
RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

Richard Murphy is the new assistant secretary of state for the Middle East in Washington. He comes to his present post after having served as a U.S. ambassador in Syria and Saudi Arabia. One obvious adavantage of his appointment is his familiarity with the Arab world, but one wonders whether this close association has not made him susceptible to Arab propaganda as well.

Rabbi Plaut

Murphy is a very personable man, easy to meet, thoughtful in his responses to questions, and generally projects the image of the right man in the right place. However, after that initial favourable impression I have developed second thoughts.

I just read Murphy's statement before the Senate foreign relations committee last fall in which he said this:

"I do not believe Syria has any intention of redrawing the political boundaries between it and Lebanon or any basic desire to absorb Lebanon . . . I know there is a great deal of history behind the doctrine of the Greater Syria. Its interest in Lebanon is that Lebanon not be a threat to Syria."

Murphy, therefore, is hospitable to the idea that, when all proper arrangements are made, Syria will voluntarily withdraw from Lebanon.

That view, however, is in contrast to the opinions of other observers. One of these, a London based Saudi owned weekly, maintains that "the leitmotif directing Assad's policy has been based on the concept of Greater Syria. There are no such countries as Jordan, Palestine and Lebanon — they are all part of the land of Syria. His ambition has been to re-unite Greater Syria as it was before the partition enforced by France and Britain. President Assad is aware of the difficulties ahead but does not consider it to be a mission impossible."

A similar view was expressed by Itamar Rabinovich, director of the Shiloah Institute at Tel Aviv University and by British journalist Patrick Seale. The latter writes:

"There is a feeling shared by all Syrians that the current boundaries of Syria are artifical. They should be extended to include the whole of Greater Syria, namely, the entire eastern coast of the Mediterranean and the Jordanian desert. In the context of inter-Arab struggles it is Damascus' vital interest to subject the PLO, Beirut and Amman to its own will."

Rabinovich points out that during 1945-70, while the newly-born Syrian state underwent a volatile period, the neighboring Lebanese experiment displayed a relative degree of stability. However, during 1970-1983, since the rise of Assad to power, while the Syrian regime has reflected stability, neighboring Lebanon has approached the stage of disintegration.

"The emergence of a relatively stable and effective regime in Syria that is pursuing a dynamic foreign policy and acquiring influence over its neighbors — Jordan and Lebanon — as well as over the PLO has led in recent years to the assumption that President Hafez al-Assad is seeking to set up a political entity in the territory of Greater Syria to be dominated by the Syrian state which he heads. This assumption is based on an analysis of the rationale which seems to underly the regional policy of the Asaad regime and on a number of statements made and actions taken by its leaders and spokesmen."

It becomes clear, therefore, that Murphy's assessment is either simplistic or merely optimistic. Syria does have an interest in Lebanon that goes beyond its conflict with Israel. It has to do with the ascendancy of Syria in the Arab world — and it may consequently be safely assumed that Egypt's reconciliation with the PLO and its return to a commanding role in the Arab world is not a matter of great pleasure for President Assad.

One must worry when a basically good man, as highly and influentially placed as Mr. Murphy, helps to frame U.S. policy in accordance with perceptions which are so obviously dubious.

Everyone wants out

Peace-keeping force falls apart

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

The virtual dissolution of the 4-nation Western peacekeeping force in Lebanon comes as no great surprise.

For months, Italy, Britain, France and, to a lesser extent, the U.S., had been looking for ways out of the Lebanese quagmire with their prestige and honor intact.

The Italians, British and French, in particular, let it be known that they wanted to shift the responsibility for peacekeeping to the United Nations — which has widespread experience in the Middle East.

The Americans, on the other hand, hoped to pull out their Marine contingent as soon as President Amin Gemayel could bring an acceptable measure of stability to his violence-prone country, and deploy the rebuilt Lebanese army throughout Beirut and environs.

With the recent upsurge of fighting in the capital, and the takeover of West Beirut by pro-Syrian militias intent on changing the political status quo in Lebanon, the peacekeeping force reached its moment of truth.

Unable — and unwilling — to intervene in the decisive battles, the four NATO powers announced plans either to pull out or to contemplate the possibility of doing so.

By this week, Britain and Italy had withdrawn, and the U.S. was about to do so. France was seriously considering the possibility of doing so.

Although President Ronald Reagan said that the Marines would be transferred to Sixth Fleet ships off the coast of Lebanon, the U.S. decision to yank its men out of Beirut was the catalyst which finally contributed to the de facto breakdown of the 5,000-strong peacekeeping force.

There may well yet be attempts to resuscitate it. But, for all intents and purposes, it is dead, according to analysts.

The West has come to the conclusion — belated as it may be — that a few thousand hand-picked soldiers cannot affect the destiny of Lebanon in any meaningful way. The Lebanese themselves must sort out their problems.

Dissatisfaction with the peacekeepers, such as they were, had been building for the last five months.

Dispatched to Lebanon to act as an impartial buffer between rival factions, the peacekeeping force was well received by the population at first. A series of events, however, changed its image from neutral peacekeepers to pro-Christian partisans.

The deterioration began last September, when the Sixth Fleet fired on Druze and Syrian forces in support of the embattled Lebanese army. As the fighting grew in intensity, French jets raided a pro-Syrian Shiite base in the Bekaa Valley.

In October, Moslem fanatics destroyed Marine headquarters in Beirut and damaged France's command post in Beirut. Two hundred and sixty-one U.S. servicemen perished. Fifty-nine French paratroopers died.

From then on, American and French troops became targets of Lebanese forces, aided and abetted by Syria, intent on driving the peacekeepers out of Lebanon.

The Italians suffered casualties, too, but they kept theirs to a bare minimum. Britain, with only 100 soldiers in the force, sustained several casualties.

By January of this year, the disillusionment among the four peacekeepers was well entrenched.

France decided to move 25% of its troops from Beirut to southern Lebanon, and Italy said it would reduce its force by half. In Washington, Congressional grumbling put Reagan on the defensive. In Britain, Gen. Sir John Stanier, chief of the general staff, said he opposed the presence of British troops in Beirut.

The loudest complaint was issued by President Sandro Pertini of Italy, who said bluntly: "Let us speak clearly. They [the peacekeepers] are there in defense of Israel, and not of peace, and they are bombarding Lebanon with tons of bombs."

Italy, the aged president said, risked getting involved in a war "that does not concern us."

Pertini called upon his government to withdraw from Beirut.

Prime movers of force

These sentiments were not lost on the Americans, the prime movers of the force. Last month, in London, Reagan's special Mideast emissary, Donald Rumsfeld, met British, Italian and French representatives to discuss an alternative to keeping Western military forces in Lebanon.

Now, one month later, circumstances beyond their control have forced the U.S., France, Italy and Britain to act.

Ther disintegration of the peacekeeping force is clearly a victory for Syria and a setback for pro-Western Amin Gemayel, the Maronite Christian head of state who is under immense pressure to resign.

Although Israel favored the presence of the Western peacekeepers, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said last week that he would not oppose French efforts to set up a United Nations force in and around Beirut.

In recent days, France has circulated a draft resolution among the 15 members of the Security Council calling for it. The French have done so because the Lebanese army, torn by wholesale defections, appears to have collapsed under a new onslaught by Druze and Shiite militias.

Despite the urgency of the situation, the establishment of such a force will not come about soon.

U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz has said that it can only be formed when stability returns tp Lebanon. And stability, as all observers agree, is still far off.

The Soviet Union, Syria's main backer, is not against a UN peacekeeping role. However, the Soviets insist it cannot be sent to Beirut until the U.S. Navy withdraws from Lebanon's territorial waters.

Under the present circumstances, the Reagan administration will not accede to that demand. And so a statement is likely.

Israeli troops fraternize with French peacekeeping soldiers in Lebanon, circa September 1982. [IPPA Photo]

AG defends Jewish settlers

JERUSALEM [JTA] — Attorney General Yitzhak Zamir has flatly rejected charges that his deputy, Yehudit Karp, had distorted the facts in her report on law enforcement in the occupied territories. He denied specifically that her reference to Jewish vigilantism going unpunished was politically motivated.

Zamir appeared before a joint meeting of the Knesset's legal committee and its state control committee. The two panels convened to discuss the Karp report, which aroused a fierce outcry from Jewish settlers on the West Bank when it was released by the government last week.

Zamir told the MKs that former premier Menachem Begin had recognized the need to establish a committee to investigate law enforcement in the territories and that Karp, who headed it, adhered strictly to the guidelines given her.

At a press conference later, Zamir stressed that all of the findings in the report were well documented.

Zamir said that while most Jewish settlers in the territories are law-abiding "there is an extremist minority responsible for serious violations of the law." He cited a pamphlet circulated by the town council of Kiryat Arba two years ago ordering residents not to cooperate with the attorney general and the state prosecutor. Kiryat Arba adjacent to Hebron, is a Gush Emunim stronghold.

Justice minister Moshe Nissim said on a Voice of Israel radio interview that the Karp report was "helpful" insofar as it clarified the situation in the territories. He also rejected charges by Jewish settlers of distortion. Unlike Zamir however, Nissim was lukewarm in defense of Karp's integrity.

Karp completed her report 18 months ago. She resigned last year to protest the government's failure to act on it. Portions of the report leaked to the press at the time reflected poorly on the conduct of Jewish settlers and implied that the police and civil authorities were less than vigorous in pressing charges against Jews accused of offenses against Arabs.

She withdrew her resignation after her report came under review at the highest level of govenment. The controversy surrounding it was renewed, however, when the report was belatedly released.

President Ronald Reagan meets with Rabbi Ovadia Yosef, right, and Moshe Arens.

Rabbi forms party to run for Knesset

TEL AVIV [JTA] —

Rabbi Ovadia Yosef, the former Sephardic chief rabbi of Israel, is organizing a new political party to participate in the next Knesset elections. Aguda Israel party circles have expressed concern that the new faction may cut deeply into their own ultra-Orthodox constituency.

Yosef has accused the Aguda of failing to give Separdim fair representation. The Aguda holds four Knesset seats and those four MKS who head its list and may be reasonably confident of re-election, are all Ashkenazim. The fifth man on the list, Rabbi Yosef Melamed, a Yemenite, was supposed to have replaced one of the other Aguda MKs in the present Knesset under a rotation agreement. But the agreement was never implemented.

Aguda does not deny that most of its constituents are Ashkenazic, as are most of the members of its Council of Sages who govern the party and decide how its members vote. The Council of Sages conducts its deliberations in Yiddish, a language few Sephardim undrestand.

Political observers say the threat posed by Yosef's new party may be one of the reasons the Aguda opposes early elections.

Listens to Israel's criticism

Kohl holds firm on sales

BONN [JTA] —

Chancellor Helmut Kohl of West Germany has reiterated Bonn's principle decision to sell arms to Saudi Arabia. But he said in a highly controversial Bundestag debate on his visit to Jerusalem that he will take into consideration the criticism he heard in Israel when asking additional, specific decisions.

Kohl said that as he became chancellor, he had found "given facts" in the question of arms sales to Saudi Arabia, implying that his predecessor, Helmut Schmidt, raised certain expectations in Ryad. But the chancellor added that he was always aware of the security needs of Israel.

"I am convinced," Kohl declared, "that no weapon system that would be possibly supplied to Saudi Arabia would ever be used in a attack against Israel."

In Kohl's opinion, the visit to Israel was a success in spite of the differences of opinion on the arms sales issue and on how to resolve the Arab-Israeli conflict.

Horst Ehmke of the opposition Social Democratic Party (SPD), said that the visit has triggered a serious worsening of relations with Israel, and sharply attacked the chancellor for his lack of sure instinct and for several embarrassing remarks he had made.

He specifically noted that journalist Kurt Ziesel, who accompanied the delegation in the chancellor's plane, was an old Nazi with a long anti-semitic record. To substantiate that Ehmke cited from articles written by Ziesel during the Third Reich.

Jurgen Reents, of the Greens, told the house that, in Austria, Ziesel's publications had been banned because of their alleged extremist character. Reminding the house that Kohl himself said that he has known Ziesel since 1958, Reents asked whether there are others among those close to the chancellor who represent a similar political tradition.

The Green deputy said that the Ziese incident is typical in a state of which the president (Karl Carstens), was a member of the Nazi party, and whose foreign ministry had been rebuilt after the war with two thirds of the employees being former Nazis.

While Alfred Dregger, the chairman of the Christian Democratic Bundestag faction, defended arms sales to Saudi Arabia as consistent with West Germany's vital strategic interests, Annemarie Renger of the SPD attacked them as increasing the chances of the war being incompatible with German responsibility toward Israel.

She sharply attacked the chancellor for not having repudiated one of his top aides who said that Auschwitz cannot be a guideline for present German policies.

Israel, Spain ties set back

ROME [JTA] —

Spain's possible recognition of Israel got a setback last week when the Rome daily, Il Messagero, published an interview with Spain's No. 2 man, Deputy Prime Minister Alfonso Guerra.

He backtracked from a more favorable recent statement regarding his country's recognition of Israel made by Prime Minister Felipe Gonzales at a meeting of the European parliament in Strasbourg.

In reply to a prodding comment to the effect that Spain is the only Western country that still does not recognize Israel, Guerra said:

"Our declared readiness for this gesture is in line with our thesis favoring the right of Israel to live within guaranteed borders, and also the right of the Palestinians, today dispersed, to live in a homeland. When these reciprocal conditions will have been met, we will proceed.

"At present, our relations with Israel are negatively conditioned by a situation which, for us, is incomprehensible: The expansionism of its government, the military occupation of part of Lebanon, a co-responsibility in massacres such as those of Sabra and Shatila."

"At the present moment," continued Guerra, "setting up relations with Israel would not help to improve the situation in the Middle East. Recognition could, in any case, not be given before the withdrawal of the Israelis from Lebanon."

Dinitz keynote speaker at parliamentary dinner

OTTAWA —

Simcha Dinitz, former Israeli ambassador to the United States and currently the vice-president of Hebrew University in Jerusalem, will give the keynote address at the Canada-Israel Committee's annual dinner for members of parliament on Wednesday, March 21, at the Skyline Hotel in Ottawa.

The parliamentary dinner is part of a 1½-day CIC conference designed to inform Jewish community leadership on the state of Canada-Israel relations and on Arab-Israeli issues.

Members of parliament, senators and senior civil servants, as well as journalists and leading figures in the business world, will attend.

Over the course of the conference, representatives of the three major federal political parties will provide their parties' positions on Arab-Israel and Canada-Israel issues.

In his five years at the Israeli embassy in Washington, Dinitz gained wide respect for his eloquence and statesmanship in putting forward Israel's case in the U.S. during his tenure he dealt with three American presidents — Richard Nixon, Gerald Ford and Jimmy Carter. He also had to serve under three different Israeli prime ministers — Golda Meir, Yitzhak Rabin and Menachem Begin.

Dinitz was Meir's principal advisor throughout most of her period as Israel's foreign minister in the mid-1960's and continued in that role when she became Prime Minister.

Wolf Blitzer, Washington correspondent of The Jerusalem Post, will assess the direction of American Middle East policy in 1984 at the annual policy conference of the Canada-Israel Committee on Wednesday, March 21, at the Skyline Hotel in Ottawa.

Joining Blitzer for this panel discussion titled Whither the Middle East Peace Process will be Shmuel Sandler, senior lecturer in political studies at Bar Ilan University and currently a visiting professor of political science at Concordia University in Montreal.

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For further information on the Canada-Israel Committee conference, please contact the CIC offices: Ottawa [613] 234-8271; Toronto [416] 924-0755; Montreal [514] 934-0771.

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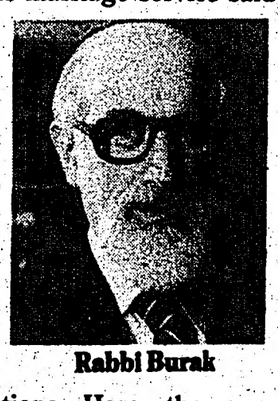
Living Judaism

By
RABBI MOSES J. BURAK

QUESTION: From time to time, one sees pictures of Russian couples who have been married for years. But the pictures show them standing under the bridal canopy in the Sanctuary. Does it make sense to have a Chuppah and benedictions and wine after they have lived together for many years?

While at first it may seem strange to you that people who have been living together for ages, should have a religious marriage service said over them years after the consummation of the civil ceremony, it is the right thing to do. It is especially correct for those who have come from Russia, a land where there are very few rabbis and very few synagogues. There, our people find it prudent to disguise their religious inclinations. Here, they can have this important religious service.



Rabbi Burak

This idea of having a religious ceremony, even when the couple have lived together over the years without benefit of clergy, is not an American invention. It is found in the code of our law.

In the Code Even ha'Ezer, Chapter 55, P.T. 1, the sage cites a responsum by the Shev Ya'akov in which that Gaon ruled that where a man had taken a wife and overlooked the religious ceremonies, he should still have the rite of the Chuppah, the nuptial canopy with the seven benedictions, even though he already had three children. He ruled that husband and wife be separated until they stood beneath the canopy and had the blessings said over them.

It's intriguing, that a rabbi who served in Russia during the 1920's, and who got out of there to settle in Israel, cites this ruling in his work Ateres Yisrael, responsa section, responsum 26. His keen eye looked into the future, and saw what was in store for his people.

Some of our own rebels invent their own rites. As they walk along a beach, they lift up a stone, or a shell, or a piece of driftwood, hold it in their hands and promise to be true to each other as long as they remain in love. It might be well for them to emulate our Russian Jews and enter the sanctuary to seek a blessing from the Almighty who is a Father, even to those who rebel against His laws.

They should come in for Chuppah ve-Kidushin in order to sanctify their lives by the hallowed rituals of the faith of Israel. Their own new way is the old way of paganism. What they have done is to follow the old ways of the idolators.

That's the way Maimonides states it in the opening paragraph of his code on Hilchos Ishus: "Before the giving of the Torah, a man would meet a woman in the street, and if he and she agreed that he marry her, he would take her to his home, cohabit with her in private, and she would be his wife." After the giving of the Torah, all this was out.

It is in Chapter 3:23 that Maimonides states that benedictions are to be said before the kidushin, the wedding ceremony. Finally, in Chapter 10, Maimonides speaks of the need for a Chuppah. However, when speaking of the blessings to be said under the Chuppah, Maimonides surprises us by speaking of just 6 blessings instead of the 7 we are accustomed to hear.

Those who dispense with all of them know that happiness is not for them.

Israelis shot by army patrol

TEL AVIV [JTA] — An Israel army patrol inadvertently killed one Israeli civilian and wounded another in the Gaza Strip recently, apparently having mistaken them for terrorists.

A soldier was also wounded, reportedly by a richocheting bullet.

The shooting occurred near Beth Lahiya in the northern end of the Gaza Strip. The two civilians were inspectors of the Israel Nature Preserves Authority who were riding in a jeep carrying arms to shoot stray dogs to prevent rabies. One inspector was killed instantly when the patrol opened fire and the other suffered a shoulder wound. It was uncertain who fired the bullet that struck the soldier. The names of the victims were not immediately released.

Role of Vatican may be unveiled

U.S. to study "top secret" report

NEW YORK [JTA] — Kalman Sultanik, vice-president of the World Jewish Congress, said last week that the House judiciary committee is scheduled to hold hearings this spring on American intelligence involvement with Nazi war criminals.

He said that he has, accordingly, asked that the committee conduct a formal inquiry into the charges contained in a 1947 state department report which, until last year, has been labeled "top secret." The report, known in intelligence circles as the La Vista report, disclosed that the Vatican aided in the illegal emigration of Nazis following World War II.

The formal request for the inquiry was made in a letter by Sultanik to Rep. Peter Rodino (D.N.J.), chairman of the judiciary committee. Sultanik is the current chairman of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council to which he was appointed by President Carter in 1980.

Vatican refuses

The WJCongress official noted that an inquiry has been made necessary as a result of the attempt by Vatican sources to discredit the La Vista report. "The refusal of the Vatican to initiate a formal investigation into the serious charges made in the state department report only makes more compelling the need for an independent and thorough investigation into the matter," Sultanik said.

He pointed out that the 1947 state department report, whose existence was first revealed by the Jewish Telegraphic Agency last February, called the Vatican "the largest single organization involved in the illegal movement of emigrants," including Nazis.

The report was written by Vincent la Vista, a member of the American embassy in Rome, and obtained by Charles Allen, Jr., a writer on the Holocaust. La Vista, whose report detailed the so-called "Vatican escape route," was "a skilled intelligence diplomatic state department officer" and an international lawyer, according to Allen.

Kalman Sultanik

Sultanik, who recalled with satisfaction the justice department's thorough investigation last year of American intelligence involvement with Klaus Barbie, the head of the Gestapo in Lyon during World War II, said an inquiry into alleged collaboration between U.S. intelligence agencies and Vatican escape routes must necessarily be an important part of the upcoming Judiciary Committee hearings.

"The responsible attitude of present-day American officials looking into this sensitive issue is unfortunately in stark contrast to the position adopted by the Vatican," Sultanik said. "The position of the Holy See, coming as it does shortly after the establishment of diplomatic relations between the United States and the Vatican, is particularly troubling." **[See Jewish World column, page 8].**

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Network formed to prevent attacks

Olympic terrorists Canada's target

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

High priority is being given by the Canadian government to countering terrorist infiltration into Canada in the months leading up to the Olympic Games, according to Solicitor-General Robert Kaplan.

Kaplan told The CJN last week that several government departments — external affairs, defence and immigration — are working with his office to coordinate their activities to prevent terrorists from entering Canada en route to Los Angeles, site of the 1984 summer games.

Kaplan said the RCMP is "spending a fair amount of time" on anti-terrorism and the "greatest increase in surveillance operations is in anti-terrorist surveillance."

Canada is coordinating its activities with its Western allies, according to a UPI report. Canadian officials met in Washington recently with their counterparts from the United States, Britain, France, West Germany, Italy and Japan to discuss the creation of an anti-terrorism network to prevent attacks at the Olympics, says UPI.

One of the network's tasks would be to collate information on foreign terrorist groups, especially those with links to Iran, which, according to UPI, are thought to be the most likely to mount an attack.

UPI says the Central Intelligence Agency, which convened the Washington conference, is reported to have asked Israel and other friendly countries to join the network.

Officials of Israel, as well as the Soviet Union and other countries, have proposed bringing their own security forces to the summer games.

Talks between Israel and Olympic security officials have been held to discuss whether Israeli armed guards will accompany the team, UPI reports further.

Philip Brubaker, senior vice-president of the Los Angeles Olympic Organizing Committee, said officials plan to surround the main villages housing the 12,000 athletes and coaches with 8-foot chain fences, topped in some locations with barbed wire.

LAOOC rules state no guns will be allowed within the villages, other than those carried by U.S. security personnel. However reports from Los Angeles indicate certain countries might be allowed to have armed agents accompanying athletes and dignitaries outside the villages.

Dutch paying Barbie crony

AMSTERDAM [JTA] —

A collaborator with Nazi war criminal Klaus Barbie has been receiving a Dutch resistance pension of 100,000 guilders [about $33,000] a year for the past 10 years, it was disclosed here.

The disclosure has prompted a further investigation into the wartime acitivities of Guildecision by the pension authority to suspend payment pending its outcome. Meertens, who lives in Spain, is believed to have collected over 1,000,000 guilders to date.

The pension came to light in the course of an examination of Barbie's activities in Nazi-occupied Holland during World War II, before he was transferred by the Gestapo to Lyon, France. He is now awaiting trial there for crimes against humanity. The examination was conducted by Paul Brilman, special prosecutor investigating war criminals in Holland

Meertens was arrested by the Germans in the early days of the occupation for anti-Nazi activities. While in prison at Scheveningen, he agreed to work for his captors. He was released and, for about a year thereafter, supplied Barbie with information about Dutch resistance groups. After the war he apparently convinced the authorities that he had been a member of the resistance.

President Chaim Herzog

Heard grievances

Arabs cheer Herzog visit

JERUSALEM [JTA] —

President Chaim Herzog received a warm welcome recently in Sakhnin, with a population of 15,000 the largest Arab village in Galilee and probably the strongest centre of Arab nationalism within the borders of Israel proper.

Herzog was greeted by applause and marching school children beating drums and waving flags. But he also heard the town's grievances from its mayor, Mohammad Ghanaim.

His visit was the first by an Israeli president and it was made possible in part because Ghanaim defeated the pro-Communist incumbent in the last municipal elections.

The mayor supports Israel's Labor Party, which was Herzog's party until he assumed the non-partisan office of chief of state. Ghanaim spoke frankly in his welcoming remarks.

He said Sakhnin had three major problems: the expropriation of land for Jewish settlements; annexation of part of the village's land to a Jewish-run regional council; and slandering of the name of Sakhnin by the Israeli media.

Herzog replied, "We are all responsible for the development and security of Galilee. This development should benefit all of its inhabitants." He urged Arab teachers to explain to the younger generation the benefits of living together with Jews. "We should not look for differences, but rather to the things common to us," he said.

Herzog told the crowd that this was his first in a series of planned visits to Arab towns and villages. "I am president of everybody in Israel, including the Arab population," he said.

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Wife feels now is good time to appeal

Andropov death may mean life for Scharansky

By
PAUL LUNGEN

B'nai Torah synagogue, she told a crowd of 400 that the Soviet authorities don't fear her husband, but they fear what he represents.

TORONTO — Yuri Andropov's death has given Avital Scharansky a glimmer of hope that her husband's 7-year imprisonment might end soon.

"Now is a good time to make appeals to the Soviets," she told the Canadian Jewish News. "His release would be a signal the Russians make to improve relations."

"He's not a superman, he's just a single Jew who wants to live in Israel," she said. But the Soviets want to crush that message.

"They've created a bomb more dangerous than the atomic bomb. Today, 40,000 Jews are ready to take the train and go to Israel."

Anatoly was imprisoned in 1977 on charges of spying for the United States. He was sentenced to 13 years in prison at hard labor. But his only crime, his wife said, was that he wanted to live in Israel.

Despite 60 years of repression, "you can see a new miracle in the Soviet Union. Young people who've never been to Israel, who've never studied in a yeshiva, wake up and decided to move to Israel. These young people are ready to give their lives for the chance to come to our Israel."

Scharansky's visit to Toronto was part of a hectic schedule that saw her visit Italy, Norway, Washington, Toronto and New York in slightly over a week.

She told The CJN that while in Washington, she met several congressmen and a high level White House official whom she declined to name. She told them of the plight of the Refuseniks and her husband, and received a "very good response."

Scharansky urged the people of Toronto to continue their vocal campaign for the rights of Soviet Jews. In a talk with Canadian Jewish Congress officials after the rally, she was questioned closely about the risk of Refuseniks of outside agitation.

"If you begin to worry about whether it will help . . ." she said softly. "If a fuss had not been raised, they would have killed him (Anatoly) by now."

She quoted one of the Refuseniks: "When we are quiet, you have to scream twice as loud."

Her message at the meeting was not all hopeful. "Anatoly's physical condition is very bad," she said. "He still hasn't gotten over the effects of a 110-day hunger strike, which saw his weight drop to 77 lbs.

"He doesn't receive good medical care, and since Sept. 1983, he's been asking for hospital care, but he isn't allowed it.

"And now he's very concerned about a new law, passed in Oct. 1983, which allows the commander of a prison to increase an inmates' sentence for five years on the pretext of a violation of the camp regime. That could mean anything, including his hunger strike."

CJC national president Milton Harris pledged to all prisoners of conscience that "we will not flag or fail in our support campaign to allow Jews to leave and lead lives free of persecution."

Toronto MP Lynn McDonald, a member of the parliamentary committee for Soviet Jewry, tracing the corelation between reduced emigration and strained east-west relations, she found "cause from hope if Soviet-western relations improve."

She pledged she would continue to oppose anti-semitism and work for Soviet Jews.

Rabbi Avi Weiss, of the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry in New York, called Avital's devotion to her husband a "deepest expression of love."

He described them as symbols of the Jews' desire to live in Israel and the recognition that the central place for Jews is to live in Israel.

Avital Scharansky

Russian door may now open

By
DAVID FRIEDMAN

JERUSALEM [JTA] — Leon Dulzin, chairman of the Jewish Agency and World Zionist Organization Executives, has expressed the hope that the selection of Konstantin Chernenko to succeed Yuri Andropov as head of the Soviet Communist Party will reopen the emigration door for Soviet Jews.

Leon Dulzin

"Let's hope that perhaps a new chapter with regard to Jews and the possibility of Jews to leave and come to Israel will be written," Dulzin said.

Dulzin based his hope on the fact that Chernenko was "close" to the late Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev. He noted that during Brezhnev's regime some 260,000 Jews left the USSR, of whom 165,000 settled in Israel.

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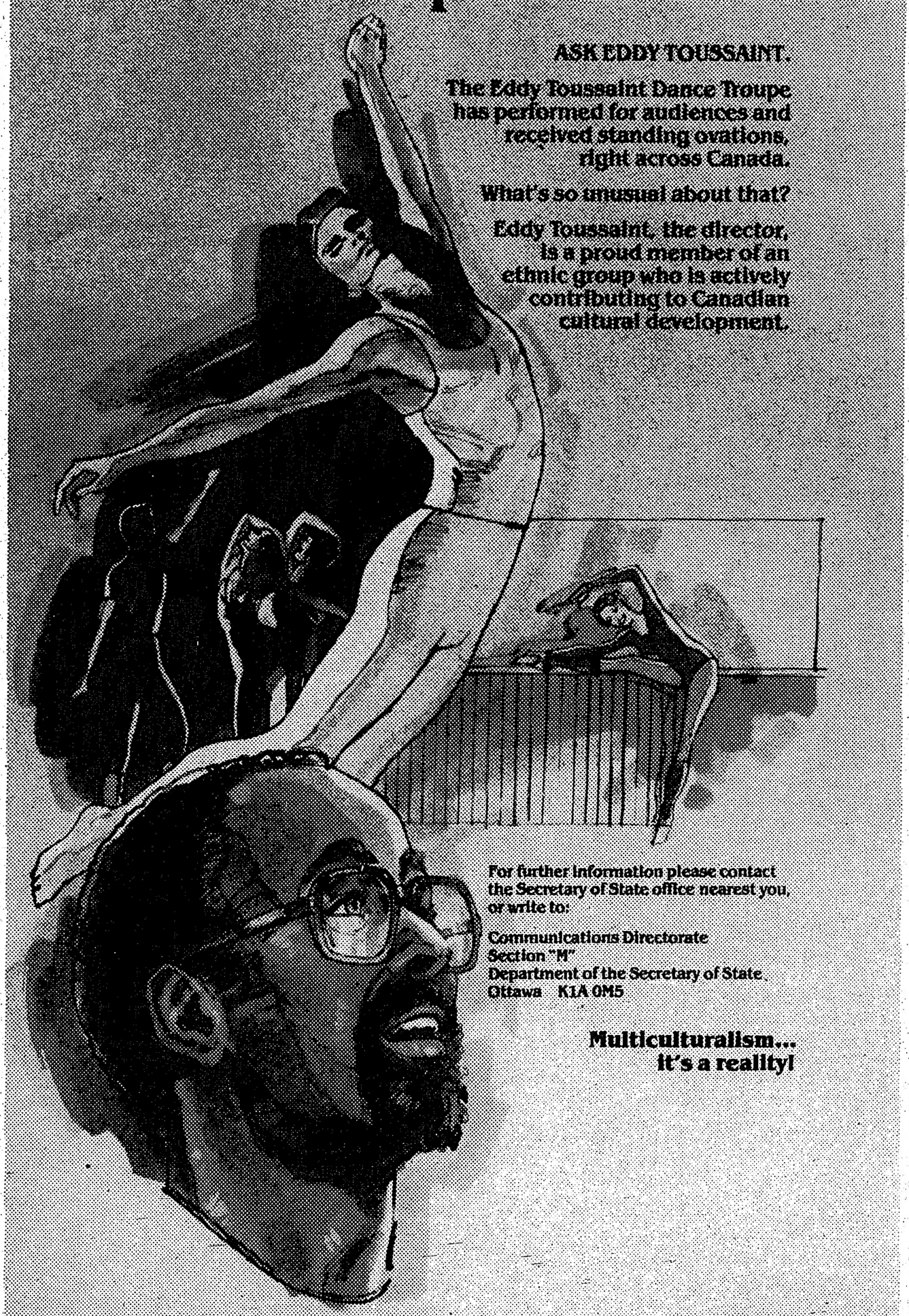

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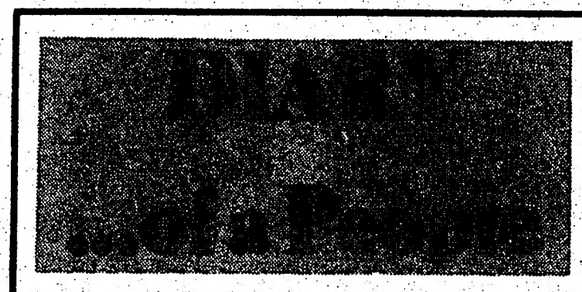

By
DAVID BIRKAN

Maverick British officer Charles Orde Wingate was born Feb. 26, 1903. At a time when his superiors, the Mandate administrators, were supposedly stimulating Arab hostility to Jewish independence, Wingate chose to support the Jews.

World War I raged on. England's statesmen and political leaders promised to work for the establishment of a Jewish national homeland in then Turkish-occupied Palestine. British military and civil authorities in Egypt and the Sudan prepared to march into Palestine with a different policy in mind.

In the words of the then governor-general of Sudan, Sir Reginald Wingate, they proposed to turn all the territories of the Ottoman empire, including Palestine, into "a federation of semi-independent Arab states under European guidance . .. looking to Great Britain as its patron and professor." Sir Reginald was Charles Orde's cousin.

To publicly support pan-Arab dominion, two things were necessary: the demonstration of Arab military action on behalf of the Allied cause, and the expression of Arab nationalism. In Palestine, the latter had to appear strong enough to counter Jewish claims.

British general Edmund Allenby, in 1918, allowed his troops to conquer but not take over major strongholds. As Arab historian, Mohammed Kurd Ali, wrote, quoted in Elie Kedourie's England and the Middle East: "Wherever the British army captured a town or reduced a fortress which was to be given to the Arabs, it would halt until the Arabs could enter, and the capture would be credited to them." Da'ara and Aleppo were two such easy captures for the Arabs. Unexpectedly, stiff Turkish resistance in Damascus forced the entry of an Australian force, but the conquest was still credited to the Arabs.

Col. T. E. Lawrence, in what he himself described "a sideshow of a sideshow" to the main fighting, attempted to lead an Arab revolt in the desert behind Turkish lines. Its negligible accomplishments — including the temporary crippling of a minor rail line to Medina that had to be permanently destroyed by a regular British force — were grandly embellished. The fact that in the regular Turkish army the Arabs fought enthusiastically for their commanders was conveniently ignored.

The post-war San Remo Conference ceded Palestine to England explicitly for future Jewish use. Allenby, in Cairo, and his subordinates, in Jerusalem, secretly urged England to abandon the Zionists and hand Palestine over to Arab princeling Faisal. They organized and financed the first Arab political organization, the Moslem Christian Association, in Jaffa, in 1919.

In 1920, outside Arab agitators were brought in to create an April pogrom against the Jews of Jerusalem's Old City. "A'dowlah ma'ana" — the government is with us — they reassured rioters. British troops barred entry to a hastily organized Jewish self-defence unit.

Palestine's first civil administrator, Sir Herbert Samuel, a Jew, was pressured by his staff to put anti-semitic rabble-rouser Haj Amin El Husseini at the head of the Moslem community. Anti-Jewish feelings — and incidents — mounted.

Wingate, one of seven children of missionary parents in India, came to Palestine as a captain in 1936, when, during the first eight months, over 300 people were killed and 1,400 wounded in the Arab disturbances. He enlisted Jewish underground fighters in protecting the Iraqi-Haifa oil pipeline against overzealous Arab sabotage.

Wingate quickly came to appreciate Jewish determination, courage, and loyalty to the land. He wrote his opposite-minded cousin Sir Reginald that "in the event of war, it would be more important to have a strong Jewish people here."

He developed close ties with the Haganah as he encouraged Jewish fighters to expand their unconventional tactics. The "special night squads" he organized threw fear into the hearts of Arabs and disconcerted his superiors. He was transferred away three years later, forbidden to re-enter Palestine. He was killed, a war hero, in the Burma jungle in 1944.

Wingate was a guiding spirit in the subsequent battle for independence against the Arabs and the British themselves.

"Safer to talk about issues without men"

Clerical women plan conference

By
TAMMY KAROL

TORONTO —
In an effort to strengthen the voices of lay and clerical women in their churches and synagogues, a number of local female ministers, priests, and rabbis are holding a first ever all women's Canadian conference here next month.

The March 28 seminar at St. Michael's College, University of Toronto, is strictly a women's event but there will be a public forum/panel discussion from 8-10 p.m. open to men entitled Defining the Issues. It will involve six females from different faiths speaking out on issues in their faiths and will be followed by questions from the audience.

Panel participants will be the Rev. Shelley Finson, Centre for Christian Studies (United Church), Prof. Maureena Fritz, St. Michael's College (Roman Catholic), the Rev. Pam McGee, Wellesley Hospital Chaplaincy (Lutheran), the Rev. Linda Ashfield, Gateway Community Church (Presbyterian), Gladys McClellan, Diocesan Anglican Church Women, and Rabbi Elyse Goldstein, assistant rabbi at Holy Blossom Temple (Reform Jewish).

Moderator of the panel is Edith Land, executive secretary of the Christian-Jewish Dialogue of Toronto.

"The conference is all female because we want women to be in a non-threatening environment," said Rabbi Goldstein, one of the events's organizers.

"They feel safer to talk about issues without men in line and will be less defensive," she added, noting that the increasing presence of women clergy has brought more into the spotlight women's status in organized religion.

Already over 65 women have signed up for the conference but there's room for some 300 at the day and evening sessions.

Out-of-towners expected to attend include members of a Jewish studies group in the Ottawa and Montreal Jewish Community Centres.

The day-long seminar starts with registration and coffee at 1.30 p.m. and a welcome address at 2 p.m. by Dr. Elspeth Cameron, director of Canadian Studies at New College, University of Toronto.

Women will then choose two of the 20 different hour-long workshops scheduled.

The first set of workshops [3-4 p.m.] will be organized around an interdenominational theme. It will feature topics such as Religious Women in the Secular Women's Movement by Freida Forman, a Holy Blossom Temple member who co-ordinates the women's research and resource centre at the Ontario Institute for Secondary Education [OISE] and Working on Co-operative Problem Solving for Women, by Sandy Wise, a Jewish vocation and education counselor.

The second set of workshops (4.30-5.30 p.m.) will deal with issues specific to each denomination, including ordination of women in the Catholic Church and sex-role stereotyping in Jewish education.

Rabbi Goldstein said it was hard to find traditional Jewish women who were themselves feminists and who wanted to speak out in favor of feminism at the conference.

But although there are no Jews besides Goldstein on the evening panel a number of them are talking at the workshops.

In the second series for instance, Elaine Kahn, wife of Rabbi Lawrence Troster at Beth Tzedec will give a session on Feminism and Religion for "beginner Jewish feminists" and Tirzah Meacham will discuss Niddah: Gaining Perspective on Menstrual Taboos.

Another workshop in the second series will be given by Annette Daum, director of the task force on women in Judaism for the Reform movement in the U.S. who will speak about anti-semitism in the women's movement.

She will also lead a workshop in the first series on God, Language and Gender which will centre on the necessity for changing masculine bias language about God that "winds up by misleading us of the very nature of God and misrepresenting the relation between men and women."

The March 28 conference idea sprang out of an interfaith lunch organized by the CJDT and 12 clergy women last October to welcome Rabbi Goldstein to the community. [She began her job here last summer.] That gathering led to the formation of the Toronto Women of Faith, a group of 25 clerical women who meet for monthly breakfasts at a different church or synagogue. They discuss the role of women in the clergy and attitudes that restrict them from greater participation in leadership roles and religious worship.

This is an interfaith women's conference not a feminist's conference, Rabbi Goldstein emphasized.

Judy Feld-Carr, past president of Beth Tzedec who will lead a workshop on Women as Lay Leaders in Religious Institutions, pointed out that although women have made advances at the administration level of synagogues and other Jewish organizations, they still are restricted religiously in many shuls by being unable to have an aliyah or be counted in a minyan.

Goldstein, who will lead a workshop on Women in Jewish Law pointed out though that despite religious restrictions, the most damaging laws to Jewish women are that of agunah (desertion by husband) and divorce.

She claims it is essential to make women comfortable in their faith and this can be achieved by the very presence of women in the clergy.

If interested in the conference call 364-3101 and ask for a registration pamphlet to be mailed to you. Registration is $12 for the afternoon and evening sessions and includes a dairy meal with vegi salads for dinner or a kosher meal which will be brought in on request.

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Editorial

A new hope

Communist states generally have problems of succession because of the labyrinthine intrigues associated with gaining and maintaining power in those states.

We are pleased to note, however, that Konstantin Chernenko has assumed the top spot in the Soviet hierarchy with a minimum of internecine strife.

When a new leader takes up his post in the Soviet Union, it is customary in the West to give him the benefit of doubt about his qualifications and good intentions.

The easy accession to the post of first secretary will, we hope, provide the new Soviet leader with the kind of secure base that is necessary for independent thinking.

In that regard we urge the new Soviet leader to act on two fronts.

- In the international sphere, we look to the Soviet Union to rejoin immediately the suspended nuclear arms discussions in Geneva. The lunatic competition for weapon superiority must be arrested.
- On the Soviet domestic scene, we urge Chernenko to reverse the dangerous anti-semitic drift which Russia has been cultivating during the Andropov tenure of office.

The new Soviet secretary can show that Communism can indeed have a human face by acting swiftly on two fronts: permitting Soviet Jews free emigration so that they can be reunited with families in Israel, and secondly, by the immediate release of Anatoly Scharansky, a victim of KGB-inspired chicanary who has been incarcerated in the Soviet Gulag for over seven years.

Avital Scharansky, in a recent visit to Toronto, showed that after all that time she is still convinced that her husband will be freed.

We trust that such conviction can be translated into concrete action on the part of Chernenko. His moves in this regard will be a litmus paper of his commitment to detente and sanity.

Views differ

According to a report by the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, Israel will not be participating in Cairo's book fair this year.

A number of administrative reasons have been offered in explanation, but this is all part of the political minuet that has been playing between Israel and Egypt since the latter decided, under Mubarak, to distance itself from the Jewish state.

Egypt's studied indifference towards Israel can be contrasted, however, with an extraordinary report about an Arab book fair held recently in Haifa under the patronage of no less a personage than Chaim Herzog, the president of Israel.

The fair, held in honor of Arab book week, took place in Haifa's Arab-Jewish Community Centre and more than 100,000 people participated in the viewing exercises which characterize such events.

Hadassah Bet Haim, writing in the Forward (New York City), indicates that Arab youngsters were especially impressed with the large collection of fairy tales and space extravaganzas which were exhibited at the fair.

The fair had exhibits to excite the interest of all the Arab visitors: scholars from the institutions of higher Arab learning in Haifa, Hebron, Bir Zeit and Bethlehem were reported to have been much moved by the mounds of books on various aspects of Arab philosophy, literature, language and culture.

The Haifa book fair was, moreover, representative of Arab literary interests all over the Levant.

Thus it is that while Egypt continues its cold peace with Israel the Jewish people within the Land of Israel does its best to foster Arab literacy and the inculcation of humanistic values.

Presidential hopeful warns of Israeli conspiracy

Candidate spouts oddball views

THE JEWISH WORLD

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

Of all the Democratic presidential candidates in the race for their party's nomination, the strangest must surely be Lyndon LaRouche.

LaRouche, 62, is an economist who recently spent nearly $200,000 to buy a half-hour of prime-time television on CBS to explain his campaign platform. LaRouche, who has run for president twice before, in 1976 and in 1980, qualified for more than $500,000 in federal matching funds in his last run for the presidency.

In the 1980 election, he ran in 15 primaries and won a total of about 185,000 votes from Americans who swallowed whole his conspiracy theories and his rantings against Israel and Jews.

Today, observers consider LaRouche one of America's most articulate ultra right-wing ideologues, despite the fact that he began his political life as a Trotskyist.

Having issued dire warnings of evil conspiracies being hatched by Israeli intelligence, the Rockefeller family, U.S. labor unions and the Carter administration, LaRouche has spoken of late about the imminence of a Soviet nuclear strike against the U.S.

Backed by a hard-core following of some 2,000 members, LaRouche disseminates his oddball views through a variety of organizations — the most notable of which are the National Caucus of Labor Committees, the National Democratic Policy Committee, the Fusion Energy Foundation, the National Anti-Drug Coalition and the Humanist Academy.

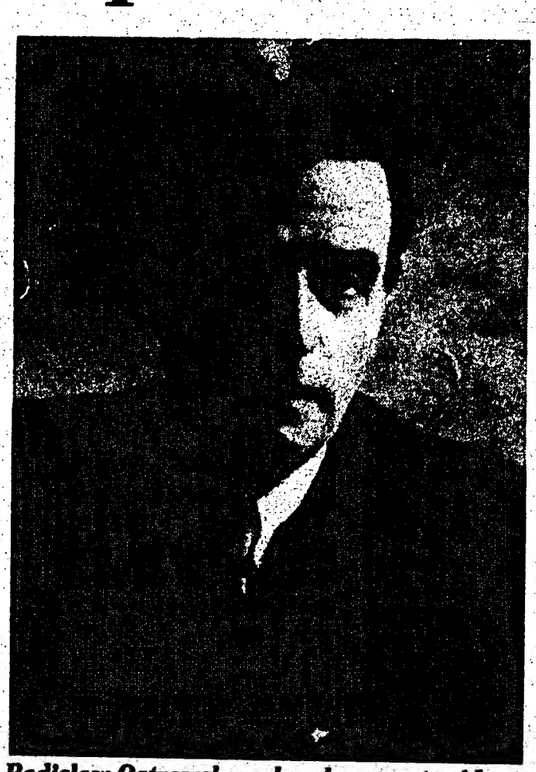
When LaRouche was a left-winger, he espoused his ideas through the now-defunct U.S. Labor Party.

LaRouche looks for media coverage, even though he has expanded his publishing empire to include the twice-weekly newspaper, New Solidarity, the New Solidarity International Press Service and magazines like Campaigner, Fusion and The Young Scientist.

In the past two years, LaRouche has been the subject of major studies by the League for Industrial Democracy and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, both of New York.

The League for Industrial Democracy, in a study entitled Nazis Without Swastikas, charged that the National Caucus of Labor Committees favors the establishment of a "dictatorship in America in the name of industrial capitalism" and calls for "violent hatred of Jews, Judaism, Zionism and the state of Israel."

Dennis King, the author, says that New Solidarity has suggested the formation of a special prosecutor's office to prepare treason indictments against American Jews and pro-Zionist gentiles.



Radislow Ostrowsky, when he was president of the Byelorussian Central Council in 1944.

Emanuel Jasiuk, who, as mayor of Kletsk, directed the killing of 5,000 Jews in a single day.

It is alleged by King that the National Caucus of Labor Committees has forged close ties with the Ku Klux Klan.

And, King claims, LaRouche maintains discipline among his disciples by resorting to psychological techniques which keep them "in a constant state of hysteria so they can't think for themselves."

Despite this, the Anti-Defamation League reports, there have been defections — some of the defectors having been Jews who reportedly cited anti-semitism as their main reason for leaving the LaRouche network.

The Anti-Defamation League says that anti-semitism has crept into LaRouche's ideology since 1978. ADL claims that well-known Jews, Jewish families and Jewish groups have been the targets of special abuse.

Ironically, but not surprisingly, ADL was sued by LaRouche. In a 1979 $26 million suit, he charged ADL with defamation, invasion of privacy and assault. A New York Supreme Court justice dismissed the suit. In his opinion, Judge Michael Dontzin said that ADL's characterization of the LaRouche group as anti-semitic constitutes "fair comment" and that the facts in the case "reasonably give rise" to such a description.

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There were a lot of red faces in New York's Orthodox community when Joseph Brovich, the former general manager of the pro-Orthodox Jewish Press, was sentenced recently to one to three years in prison and forced to return $150,000 for having defrauded his employer.

Brovich, 66, still faces a civil suit filed against him by the Jewish Press — the largest Anglo-Jewish weekly in the U.S.

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Another inquiry of war criminals

It was announced last month that the U.S., for the second time in one year, has begun an inquiry into the use of Nazi war criminals by American intelligence authorities after World War II.

The justice department's Office of Special Investigations plans to investigate a case involving a Belgium SS officer who worked for U.S. counter-intelligence in Vienna from 1947 to 1956.

In 1983, the Office of Special Investigations issued a report that Klaus Barbie, a Gestapo officer now awaiting trial in France, had been employed by the U.S.

John Loftus, a former employee of the Office of Special Investigations, tells us in The Belarus Secret [Random House, $18.50] that his government did more than just recruit individual war criminals. In defiance of presidential orders, certain U.S. agencies smuggled hundreds of Byelorussian Nazi collaborators into America, and protected them from official scrutiny and deportation.

An Irish Catholic lawyer, Loftus knows whereof he speaks, having been coordinator of a highly classified inquiry called the Belarus Project.

Privy to confidential files, Loftus and his team looked into the activities of Byelorussians who, during the 1941-1944 German occupation, served in SS units and took part in killing operations against Jewish civilians.

Although few of these Byelorussian criminals personally murdered anyone, they were directly responsible for the massacre of Jews in Byelorussia, which had a substantial Jewish population. Byelorussians were the key organizers of the Nazi intelligence network; they ran the ghettos and built the concentration camps; they guided the Germans to Jewish settlements and neighborhoods.

These Byelorussian collaborators, hating Communism, helped the German invaders in the hope of creating an independent Byelorussia. Anti-semitism came naturally to them.

American intelligence agents who recruited the Byelorussians turned a blind eye to their criminal past, Loftus writes, because the Cold War was raging. The American operatives who saw the value in recruiting Byelorussian war criminals figured that they could be organized into formidable guerrilla forces which could help overthrow Communist-imposed regimes in Eastern Europe.

And, it was assumed, they could be of great assistance in the unmasking of Soviet spies in the U.S. (They were of very little use in either case.)

The American who masterminded this effort was a prosperous Wall Street lawyer, a Mississippian named Frank Wisner. Having worked for the Office of Strategic Services during World War II, Wisner was familiar with the black arts of covert operations.

With the war over, he became director of the Office of Policy Coordination, a branch of U.S. intelligence. It was his idea that Eastern European emigres, like the Byelorussians, could instigate rebellions behind the Iron Curtain and thus prompt the West to intervene.

He recruited such Byelorussians as Radislaw Ostrowsky, president of the Byelorussian puppet government under the Nazis, and the highest-ranking Nazi ever to receive U.S. citizenship; Stanislaw Stankievich, who directed the murder of 7,000 Jews in Borissow, and Emanuel Jasiuk, who supervised the murder of some 5,000 Jews in Kletsk.

Wisner used his influence within the state department to make certain that their visa applications were expedited. Incriminating evidence was removed from files and false identities were created when necessary. All this happened while other U.S. agencies were pursuing war criminals and President Harry Truman ordered a ban on the admission of Nazis!

Settling down in communities like South River, N.J., Cleveland, Chicago and New York, the Byelorussians took modest jobs, lived in old but well-maintained neighborhoods and kept to themselves. As Loftus says with irony: "They kept their lawns trimmed, their houses painted, and they never got in trouble with the police."

For reasons Loftus explains fairly well, the U.S. failed to prosecute them, letting them live out their lives as "upright" American citizens. Justice was never done.

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Opinion

Abba Eban looks at controversial issue

German arms sale to Saudis becomes moral dilemma

By
ABBA EBAN

Israel's former foreign minister reflects on the planned sale of West German arms to Saudi Arabia.

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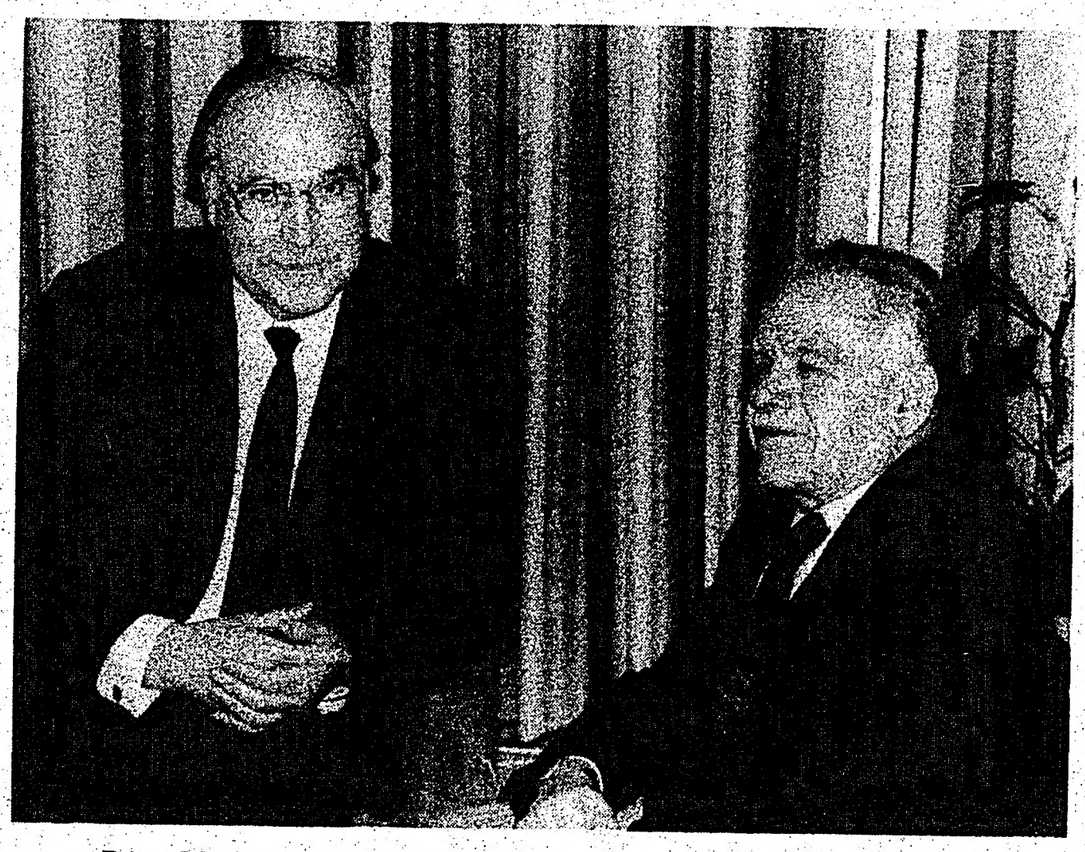
It fell to me, as deputy prime minister in Levi Eshkol's cabinet, to negotiate the establishment of diplomatic relations with the Federal Republic of Germany and to secure parliamentary approval for that step.

One of the reasons for this was that Golda Meir, although fully supportive of that decision, was not prepared emotionally for intensive encounter. The arrival of the first West German ambassador was accompanied by public disorder and unrest.

These recollections illustrate the extent of the psychological revolution that has occurred in so brief a time. The dialogue with the Federal Republic goes forward at all levels of government responsibility and public sentiment. Apart from the U.S. it is difficult to think of any country with which Israel's discourse is more intense and varied. This is not because we have swept the tragic past out of sight. On the contrary, it is because we have acknowledged the full weight and burden of the past we have been able to give our minds and hearts to the future.

For this generation, there is no escape from the ambivalence which the word "Germany" evokes in Jewish hearts. It is only by frank confrontation with this fact that we shall be able to keep memories and hopes in some sort of equilibrium.

In May 1981, the prospect of German arms sales to Saudi Arabia was discussed between Israelis and Germans both on governmental levels and in the framework of Social-Democratic solidarities. In the latter context, I received a personal letter from Chancellor Helmut Schmidt in which it was clear that no sale of Leopard tanks would be approved without the endorsement of the SPD party in the Budestag. Since the ideological and political reservations of German Social-Democrats were well known, this clarification was completely reassuring.



Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir with West German chancellor Helmut Kohl.

There would seem to be no logical reason to believe that any changes in German domestic politics or in the international arena could have altered the considerations which prevailed in German decisions since then. It is evident that arms sales to Saudi Arabia today would unite Israelis in protest, would divide Germans in moral discomfort and would appear to historians as an interruption in the process of German-Jewish dialogue, which reached its official expression two decades ago.

It is too facile to say that there is no concrete significance in this question since Saudi Arabia usually gets what it wants in a world where oil and money have a preponderant weight. There are many candidates for the Saudi market. But it is the very absence of concreteness that elevates the issue of German arms sales to Israel's foes into a moral dilemma that transcends all material realms of thought and action.

Diplomacy is still dominated by raison d'etat. Power is to politics what wealth is to economics — the central theme around which the entire process revolves. International statecraft operates in a world of competing interests in which it is not easy to uphold uncompromising morality. Governments usually take their decisions in terms of interest and justify their decisions in terms of morality. But the predominance of interest over ethics can never be absolute in a free society.

There comes a time when advantageous decisions are renounced in obedience to moral restraints. Excessive pragmatism is not fully pragmatic.

If the prospect of German arms, officially supplied, causing death or even danger to citizens of the Jewish homeland does not trangress that border, then it effectively ceases to exist and some of the most tormenting and profound moments in the German-Israeli experience would be betrayed. Seldom has a nation had an opportunity to win higher satisfaction by a smaller renunciation than that which the German leadership enjoys today.

— The Jerusalem Post

Every goodie is handmade

Old-fashioned candy store brings back memories

Between Two Worlds — The Canadian Immigrant Experience by Milly Charon of Montreal is scheduled to be released this month by Quebec publishers Quadrant Editions. The book profiles 26 immigrants from 24 ethnic groups. The following chapter is about Mayer Romano, a Jewish immigrant from Beirut living in Montreal.

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You feel like a kid again, with your nose pressed up against the window. Don't let the chrome and glass fool you. Inside are all the delights and more of an old-fashioned candy store.

Chocolate Santas march around hand-molded candy sleds filled with giftwrapped packets. Hollow Christmas bells are stuffed and overflowing with sweets. Wrapped in glistening foil and crinkly cellophane of every imaginable hue, the gift boxes hint at all kinds of surprises inside.

Behind a display case inside the store is a little man with greying hair. Glasses perched midway down his nose, he is bending over a small tray of natural fruit covered with chocolate he has arranged on crisp paper frills. He straightens and grins.

"Bonjour," and he hands you one of his goodies. "Tiens, goutez-le. C'est bon!"

He looks like a happy elf, his face crinkled in a wide smile as he watches you bite into the chocolate. Rum trickles down your chin, and he reaches quickly to hand you a tissue.

"What do you think?" he asks. "Is it good?"

When you roll your eyes heavenward, your mouth too full to answer, he beams and rubs his hands together. The response has made his day.

He gives you another. It's fresh, he reassures you. He just made it early this morning. You're hooked! You only came in to look and you end up buying two pounds of handmade chocolates.

His name is Mayer Romano, and he owns the Chantilly Confiserie, on the second floor of Decarie Square in Montreal. Born in Lebanon, he came to Canada in 1975.

Starting as a laborer at the age of 13 in a garage and then later a printing plant, he finally found a long-term job in a chocolate factory in Beirut.

"I worked there for 33 years. The factory changed hands four times, and each time I stayed on. I was mechanically minded and I knew the way the machines worked. My boss gave me a lot of responsibility.

He worked his way up to general manager of the large plant. In 1962 he opened his own candy factory.

"My life was good until the civil war between Moslems and Christians made life unbearable. I was afraid my family would be killed. When the fighting broke out, different groups occupied sectors of the city. At the beginning my factory was in the Falangists' area, but when the Palestinians attacked and captured the sector, all property came under their control."

Romano had moved his family to a summer house he had in the mountains outside Beirut when the battle escalated, and he would come down almost every day to check on the factory to make certain it had not been bombed, burned or broken into.

"But to get into that sector, I now had to get a special permit at Palestinian headquarters," he explains. "My son Henry accompanied me when I went with other businessmen like myself for the permit. We were herded into a room and savagely beaten for no reason whatsoever. When we were released, we considered ourselves lucky to have escaped with our lives.

"Our house was looted as well. Our neighbors had a hand in that, too. Friendship meant nothing. There was no point in staying and so my other son made arrangements for us to go to Paris and apply for entry to Canada from there.

"My factory, merchandise and home were confiscated. I lost everything — 30 years of hard work gone. It all disappeared . . . over $150,000 of my life, but we were lucky to get out of there with the whole family alive." He shrugs. "C'est la vie . . . non . . . c'est la guerre."

A customer has just walked in. She chooses her own selection of chocolates from the display case.

"Best chocolates in town," she says as she smiles at Mr. Romano. "I can't believe you make them all yourself. What else do you make?"

A sheepish look flits across his features. "Les enfants . . . children," he answers. "I have a dozen . . . nine boys and three girls!"

The woman laughs. "I hope they are as good as your sweets."

Romano pauses to refill some trays of chocolates in the showcase and rearranges a display on a shelf.

"I'm 65 years old," he says. "When I arrived here, I was offered a job at minimum wage at Laura Secord, a chocolate and candy company. I wanted a contract, and they refused. The pay was terrible for a master candymaker like me. I was unemployed for a year and a half."

With no work in sight and his age a detriment to employment, he became very depressed and wanted to return to Lebanon, war and all.

"My children worked and supported me and my wife. My oldest son got a loan for me and helped me open this store."

Arriving at Decarie Square at three or four in the morning, he works 15 hours a day. Everything is handmade. He does his cutting, mixing and dipping manually. In Beirut, his family all worked in the factory with him, he says. Now they don't want to. The children come occasionally to help out behind the counter, serving customers.

It bothers him, he confesses. He wants one of them to carry on his work. The thought of the business falling into the hands of strangers is frightening.

"I'm not young. I could die tomorrow, and then what would happen to everything?" he asks.

People begin to trickle in. Suddenly there are half a dozen in the store. He moves quickly, a smile on his face, trying to serve everyone.

A customer says: "This is the first time I'm here. Can I try something?"

He offers her a sample. Her face lights up.

"Fantastic! Can you make up an assortment for me . . . the large box, please?" she asks.

He is delighted.

You know she'll be back for more, and so will you. The Chantilly chocolate habit is difficult to kick.

Both sides claim victory in case of PLO bequest

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

Before his death three years ago, Fred Sparks, a Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist, drew up his will, leaving 10% of his $300,000 estate to the PLO. A Jew by birth, Sparks (formerly Siegelstein) became pro-Palestinian after covering the 1948 Arab-Israeli war.

Three Jewish groups — the American Jewish Congress, the World Jewish Congress and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith — contested the bequest in a Manhattan surrogate's court. They charged that the PLO was a "terrorist organization" and should be barred from receiving the grant.

Under New York law, a court need not enforce a bequest if it runs contrary to the public good.

Earlier this month, the case was finally decided, and both sides claimed victory.

In a 5-page settlement signed by three principals, the $30,000 bequeathed by Sparks will go instead to the International Committee of the Red Cross "for the betterment of the living conditions of the Palestinian people."

The agreement was signed by Elvin Unterman, Sparks' lawyer; Daniel Kurtz of the New York State attorney-general's office, and Zehdi Abib Terzi, the PLO's representative at the United Nations. At a press conference, Terzi said that the settlement had been "personally approved" by Yasser Arafat, chairman of the PLO.

In a prepared statement, Terzi said that the agreement validated the position that the PLO represents the Palestinians. Jeffrey Sinensky, director of legal affairs for the Anti-Defamation League, called Terzi's comments "outrageous" and added that the settlement "in no way legitimizes the PLO."

Robert Abrams, New York's attorney-general, had the last word. As he put it:

"Any claims that this settlement implies any judgments whatever about the nature of the PLO, its terrorist tactics, its legal bona fides, or any other issue, are patently and obviously false."

Opinion

Many still cling to jobs

Unemployment, high costs shake morale of Israelis

By
PHILIP GILLON

JERUSALEM [JCNS] —

Dvorah, a veteran Israeli school principal, who has come through all the country's wars and previous economic crises, said to me this week: "For the first time I'm really frightened about the future. I remember the tzena (austerity period) of the first years of the state when we were worse off for food than the British during the blitz. But we all said to one another it'll come right. Now nobody is saying that."

The morale of Israelis has been shaken by two things: the prospect of large-scale unemployment and the breakdown of the automatic linkage between rises in the cost-of-living and payments of a cost-of-living allowance.

For decades their two principles have been considered inviolate by successive governments, Labor-led and Likud-led: there must be full employment to attract immigration and discourage emigration, and the real purchasing power of wage earners must be preserved. These have now been breached.

Particularly hard hit by unemployment are people without permanent tenure or in half-time jobs. Anybody with tenure cannot be dismissed without the consent of the labor union. So, institutions or firms forced to make cuts, are going for the most vulnerable. Many among the victims are immigrants and working wives who combine part-time work with running a household. As the extra jobs fold, family income invariably drops by a quarter to a third.

Also hit have been overtime payments. A baker, a father of six, with 30 years' experience in a Tel Aviv bakery, explained how only a short while ago he was taking home as much at 60,000 shekels a month [about $700] but only by virtue of putting in 12 hours a day. Now reduced to an 8-hour day his income has been halved.

Among the threatened victims of cuts in public institutions are young academics and lecturers. Where will they turn?

Government spokesmen glibly trot out the idea of retraining for productive industry. But one social science lecturer, whose university post may be on the line, asks bitterly: "Where, when and how?" These are the questions to which the economy has not addressed itself properly.

Most Israelis, however, are managing to cling to their jobs by their fingernails. But for the first time since galloping inflation took hold of the country they are finding it increasingly difficult to cope with its ravages.

The cost-of-living allowance is traditionally paid every three months and, in effect, nearly balanced the rate of inflation. The loss in the wage earner's buying power was limited to a month or two.

Now the monthly — indeed weekly — rate of inflation is so stupendous that a three months' wait is shattering. At the end of December, a 17.9% advance on the cost of living increment was paid and at the end of January it was made up to 24%.

This is only a bagatelle since wages were stationary in October and November and the new raise is incomparable with the rise in prices that has set in since Finance Minister Yigal Cohen-Orgad introduced his new direction to the economy three months ago.

The cost of anything with a foreign currency content in its production is rising like a rocket to the moon. Petrol, cooking gas, electricity and water bills have been going up by 10% a fortnight. Even people in the higher income bracket, like engineers, with a basic take home packet of 80,000 shekels are having difficulty in coping.

There is a well known Israeli ditty composed in brighter times when inflation

Israelis are trying to cope with the economic crisis wracking the country.

was a mere 130% instead of the current 200% plus, "I can't get through the month." Now the ditty is: "I can't get through the week."

The average Israeli deposits his salary check in the bank in the first few days of the month and around the 20th of the month used to begin operating on an overdraft at a bearable rate of interest allowed him by his benevolent banker. Now he runs out of resources by the 10th and the banker is no longer kind. Significantly the English word "over" has entered the Hebrew vocabulary. To talk of one's "over" is like talking of one's cancer.

Salaried Israelis have become a nation of calculators. One can no longer put your salary in the bank and let it lie in the hope that it will last till the 20th. It has to be invested — in foreign currency, index-linked bonds or otherwise juggled with through an array of financial shenanigans. One needs to go to the bank virtually every day to ensure that the "investment" does not lose its purchasing power.

Shmuel Z. a Jerusalem doctor said to me: "My father is a yekke who went through Germany in the 20s. He has often described inflation during the days of the Weimar Republic when a man had to take his salary in bank notes in a suitcase in the morning and spend it by lunchtime or it would become worthless. I fear we may be approaching that situation, only suitcases are becoming a bit too expensive," he said wryly.

Letters of support pour in

Eager listeners in Arab world tune in to Israel radio

By
CARL ALPERT

HAIFA —

Anyone seeking radio news and views on the Middle East has his choice of no less than 53 stations broadcasting in Arabic. Of these, 52 are operated by our neighbors, near and far, and one is in Jerusalem. Eighteen hours a day, seven days a week, the program comes on loud and clear: Huna Sawt Israil — This is the Voice of Israel.

One of the transmissions, with 1200 kilowatts of power, can easily reach the U.S.S.R. in the north, Egypt, Sudan and Ethiopia in the south, and Jordan, Iraq and the Persian gulf area to the east.

With so many other stations to listen to, why should Arabs anywhere tune in Israel?

The evidence that Sawt Israil has a large audience is very clear. For one thing, Arab papers in some countries from time to time publish articles or editorials taking issue with the broadcasts from Jerusalem. This would appear to indicate that they are aware of the listening habits of their own people. At any rate, such attacks on our broadcasts, no matter how vitriolic, are received with great glee by the staff here, for they provide additional publicity and stimulate more curious auditors.

Further evidence is to be found in the steady stream of mail which Sawt Israil receives. We sat in the broadcasting office in Jerusalem and looked over a sheaf of this week's mail. Letters from Egypt come directly, since there is postal communication between the two countries. Letters from Jordan are carried across the Jordan bridges and mailed within Israel. Others, coming from every corner of the Arab world, go to the post office box number in Geneva which is repeated frequently on the air.

Edmond Sehayek, an Iraqi-born Jew, who has been with the broadcasting service for the past 11 years, and is now its director general, told us that some of the letters are anti-Israel. Others ask for information, or request that favorite records be played. Not uncommon are appeals for medical help. Sehayek pushed a letter across the desk. It came from a physician in Amman who asked the Voice of Israel for help in having one of his patients admitted to an Israel hospital for a delicate operation. He attached a full medical diagnosis.

Such requests get prompt cooperation. A hospital is contacted, usually the Hadassah Hospital, and arrangements made. The Red Cross handles formalities of the entry into Israel, and our government is extremely lenient. The visitors pay all their own costs.

The broadcasts run about half and half music and talk. The latter deals with Arab culture, full sports coverage, family and social problems, review of the Arabic and world press, and of course commentary on political issues. There are certain basic principles which our broadcasts adhere to steadfastly, Sehayek told us:

Always tell the truth. The reputation of the program rests on their reliability. This is in great contrast to most of the "competitive" stations which seldom enjoy the confidence even of the citizens of their own country.

Political presentations are made in low key — soft-spoken and in quiet tones. This too is in contrast to the bombastic shouting which characterizes so much of the Arab propaganda on the air. The calm and deliberate note of our presentation seems to infuriate the Arab spokesmen.

The purpose is to promote peace, not to aggravate further hostility, hence there is nothing antagonistic, even in addressing enemies. Tomorrow King Hussein may sit down and talk to us, as did Sadat, so every effort is made to preserve a receptive atmosphere. Admittedly the tone is somewhat different in attitudes to Assad of Syria and Gadaffi of Libya, both of whom are avowed and intractable enemies.

The news about Israel emphasizes the positive and constructive. Flaws and problems are not ignored, but they are not the feature material as in so much of Israel's domestic television and radio broadcasts to the Israelis themselves. In this sense, it has been said, the Arabic Sawt Israil is much more "Zionist." Many of the things reported do not always make headlines at home.

If someone should throw a stone at a bus in Hebron, Sehayek said, provoking reaction by Jewish settlers, it makes headlines and soon gets reflected in the foreign press, and one would get the impression that genocide is going on. But when the Israel government spent 32,000,000 shekels to build a road to El Birah, of use only to the Arabs, and for their transport and communications convenience, no newspaper paid any heed. Sawt Israil makes sure that things like these are reported.

In addition to the staff announcers, prominent Arabs both from Israel and from the occupied areas are also given a voice. They are even free to criticize Israel policies, so long as they express themselves in dignified and civilized fashion. This, too, contributes to the credibility of the Israel broadcasts since such freedom of expression would never be permitted in any Arab country in the world.

And that is why uncounted and uncountable Arabs throughout this vast area listen with some respect when the announcer says: Huna Sawt Israil.

DOMESTIC MINISTER

Sara Doron is the only woman in the Israeli cabinet. Politics keeps the minister-without-portfolio busy, but she always finds time to attend to domestic matters. [IPPA Photo]

Embassy move could arouse Arab anger

Reagan fears debate on recognition of Jerusalem

By
WOLF BLITZER

WASHINGTON —
Reagan administration officials are deeply frightened by the prospects of pending congressional actions designed to mandate the U.S. recognition of Jerusalem as Israel's capital.

New York's Democratic senator, Daniel Patrick Moynihan, has made clear that he intends to take such a step. He can be expected to win considerable bipartisan support in the Senate and House of Representatives, although legal scholars are divided on the constitutional ability of the legislative branch of the U.S. government to force the executive branch to move the U.S. embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem.

What is so upsetting to the administration right now is even the prospect of such congressional legislation being debated. The publicity alone is bound, U.S. officials said, to arouse the passions of the Arab and Islamic world.

They believe that Democratic presidential frontrunner Walter Mondale is being totally irresponsible in even promising to move the embassy to Jerusalem if he were elected next November. Mondale is already on record as voicing such a pledge.

"You better believe he would pull a Joe Clark," said one White House official, referring to the former Canadian Prime Minister who also had promised during his campaign to move Canada's embassy to Jerusalem but later had to back away from that commitment in the face of strong Arab petrodollar pressures. Saudi Arabia and other Arab countries warned they would back out of several lucrative contracts with Canadian firms if the embassy were moved.

In the end, the Canadian embassy remained in Tel Aviv.

Even all the publicity of a highly-charged debate in the Senate and House during this election year would irritate the White House and the state department. Officials there are trying to revive the Arab-Israeli peace process, hoping to win the support of "moderate" Arabs, espcially Jordan's King Hussein.

Given the emotional impact of the issue in the Arab world, such a debate on Capitol Hill would supposedly setback any prospects for getting fresh peace talks off the ground.

"Raising the matter of Jerusalem now would cripple our efforts," said one administration specialist on the Middle East. "Under such circumstances, there would be no way for Hussein to get involved."

That official, in fact, went one step further. He warned of almost total doom and gloom resulting in such a move. "We would be returning to the pre-1967 war era," he said. "No Arabs would be willing to deal with Israel."

According to this official, even those moderate Arabs who have come to accept Israel as a permanent fact of life in the Middle East probably would revert to the pre-1967 attitude that there should be no Israel in the region.

"The Arabs," he said, "would again become polarized in their notions of Israel."

Thus, the Reagan administration is moving decisively to try to take steps to avert any Jerusalem debate right now.

This is not the first time that a member of Congress has sought to take the initiative in having the U.S. recognize Jerusalem as Israel's capital.

Republican Congressman Philip Crane of Illinois introduced a similar proposal in 1980. He was clearly anxious to embarrass the Carter administration and several pro-Israel Democrats on Capitol Hill who, in the end, actually voted against the Crane amendment.

Given this opposition, the amendment died. Crane did not try to revive it following the election of the Republican administration.

Reagan, for his part, was very careful during the 1980 campaign. He spoke of keeping Jerusalem undivided with free access to the holy places. He also suggested that Israel should retain sovereignty over the entire city, although he never promised to move the embassy there.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters are welcome if they are in English, no more than 250 words, typewritten with lines double spaced, and of interest to our reading public. Readers are cautioned not to make sweeping claims against persons or institutions which they cannot verify, as libel laws are very stringent. We reserve the right to edit letters.

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CLAIMS BURAK SLANDEROUS

For the most part, I have enjoyed Rabbi Moses J. Burak's column, Living Halacha. It generally addresses interesting questions and responds to them with a combination of scholarliness, charm, style, and good humor.

It was, therefore, an unpleasant surprise to read his column of Feb. 9, in which he uses the question of the ordination of women to criticize the Conservative movement.

Taking isolated instances as representing the whole — instances which can be found even in his own movement — and quoting a single phrase from an as yet unpublished document of the Seminary faculty out of context, thus knowingly distorting its meaning, Rabbi Burak attempts to portray the Conservative movement as one which seeks to betray Judaism.

Rabbi Burak, of course, has a right to his opinion but a Jewish community newspaper has a responsibility to edit out what can only be characterized as "rechilut" (slander).

Rabbi Robert Marcus
Acting president
Ontario Region Rabbinical Assembly
Toronto

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BURNED BY BURAK'S FIRE

Rabbi Moses Burak's column on the question, "Can women be ordained as rabbis?", serves as a fine showpiece for the rabbi's unquestioned talent for intemperate invective ("a bunch of spiritual illiterates," e.g.).

I have no intention to engage in a mudslinging match with my learned colleague. But since he uses anecdotes to discredit Conservative Judaism (the story of the New Jersey temple where lights are burning to fool people into thinking services are taking place), I may be permitted to just quote an instructive anecdote which depicts Orthodox Judaism with the same degree of accuracy.

The service at the Reform temple was finished and the worshippers were milling around in the lobby at the congregational kiddush. One gentleman was standing in the corner, his back to the people, while furtively smoking a cigaret. The rabbi went over to him.

"Good Shabbes, my friend," he said. "You need not hide; you can smoke openly — this is a Reform temple!"

The visitor was aghast. "Oh, no," he replied. "I could not do that. I'm Orthodox!"

Rabbi Erwin Schild
Adath Israel Congregation
Toronto

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BURAK "FUNNY YET SAD"

Rabbi Burak's column would be funny if it were not so sad.

Burak states that Deborah's qualification as a judge was that she was a prophetess. Surely, if there is to be no sexual discrimination, male rabbis should also be prophets. Does the rabbi believe that he is a prophet? Or is this merely a restatement of Charlotte Whitten's comment that a woman must be twice as good as a man to be thought half as good?

My suggestion to women who have embraced Orthodox Jewry is simple. Forget becoming a rabbi, as I had to, many years ago. Become a doctor. You can have both spiritual satisfaction and a decent standard of living. If those rabbis who are not willing to partake of the educational process with you to a satisfactory level lose the privilege of knowing your brain, that is their problem.

As for the rabbi's comment on Conservative Judaism, may I suggest that he read Pirkei Avot before undertaking another such attack.

Dr. H. Roslyn Devlin
Assistant professor
Department of Microbiology
University of Toronto

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Judith Susanne Bricks

A LOVELY JEWISH JEZEBEL

Just a note to say that Frank Rasky's Feb. 9 article ("Navel training aids shaky business") was written with more than his customary charm. And I can't blame him, because his subject, Judith Susanne Bricks, the belly dancer, must have charmed him as her photo charmed me.

Would you please run her picture again for my scrapbook, because this lovely enchantress has succeeded in becoming my pinup Jewish Jezebel.

Morris Stein
Toronto

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YIDDISH LIKE YINGLISH?

Re Prof. Klaus J. Hermann's Feb. 9 letter headed "Yiddish or Germish?":

The professor's statement that Yiddish "is really Judaeo-German" seems to suggest it is "really" not a language. This is nonsense.

Modern Yiddish is at least different from modern German as Ukrainian is from Russian. Nobody suggests that Ukrainian "is really" a lesser form of Russian. Nor does anyone say that French and Italian are "only" vulgar forms of Latin.

One can, from a "scholarly" point of view, just as "reasonably" call modern German modern High Teutonic.

English is also a form of Teutonic. Neither Shakespeare nor Shalom Aleichem wrote in some bastardized form of German. They wrote respectively in English and in Yiddish.

Abe Margel
Toronto

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YIDDISH OR INTERLINGUISH?

One is tempted to let pass Klaus Herrmann's grossly misinformed comments regarding the history of the Yiddish language. Nevertheless, when patently ridiculous statements are palmed off as scientifically verified truth, it is regretfully necessary for someone to set the record straight.

In reality, both Yiddish and English are what linguistics characterize as "fusion languages."

Yiddish, as documented amply by Max Weinreich in his magisterial, 4-volume History of the Yiddish Language, is a rich and variegated linguistic commodity. The fusion character of the language was evident as early as the Middle Ages, when Yiddish already possessed three of the four components that have determined its presentday makeup.

These four linguistic determinants are: [1] Loshn-koydesh [the Hebrew/Arabic element that derived from the Jews' deeply religious culture — a style of life that Weinreich labels the "Way of the Shas [or Talmud]"]; [2] Loez [the Romance language spoken by Jewish settlers in the Rhineland who immigrated from early medieval France and Italy]; [3] German [the numerically preponderant determinant, with both High and Low German influences on modern Yiddish]; and [4] Slavic.

The mixture of these various determinants has resulted in a language that is sui generis, and that deserves to be called by its proper and accepted name: Yiddish.

Prof. Herrmann would be well advised to forego his unfortunate and erratic forays into the complicated domain of Jewish interlinguistics.

Zachary M. Baker
Montreal

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HE REMEMBERS PERSONALLY

I wish to comment on two items in your Feb. 2 Montreal edition.

In a letter to the editor, Marvin Malin mentioned that his father became a stockbroker in 1962. As a child, before 1920, my family dealt with a stock-brokerage firm of Tousaw, Hart and Anderson. Mr. Hart was a descendant of the original Hart family of Three Rivers, and he is buried here in the Spanish and Portuguese Cemetery.

The other item is the article about Isaac de La Penha, which is much more complete and accurate than information which you published about him some time ago. He was my first Hebrew teacher, and I remember him and his son, Philip, well. In fact, I still have a certificate, dated May 25, 1913, signed by Isaac de La Penha.

Donald A. Goltman
Montreal

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THEY WERE ALL FIRST

Re Marvin Malin's Feb. 2 letter headed "His father was first":

The confusion about who was the first Jewish member of a Canadian stock exchange is a result of contraditions in terminology.

Ben Malin may have been the first Jewish partner of a Canadian member stock brokerage firm on both the Montreal and Toronto Stock Exchanges. Tod Sterling in Toronto became a partner of a member firm at roughly the same time.

Harry Shapiro was the first Jewish member of the Montreal Stock Exchange, while Nat Sandler was the first Jewish member of the Toronto Stock Exchange. Both represented their own firms and their elections took place in the mid-60s.

Morton Cohen was the first Jewish governor of a Canadian stock exchange [Montreal, 1972], while Paul Wartzer was the first Jewish governor of the Toronto Stock Exchange [1975].

Who was first? They all were in their respective ways.

Morton Cohen
Toronto

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THANKS THEM ALL

Re your Nov. 24 article headed New firm's specialty: energy conservation:

We would like to express our sincere thanks to writer Patricia Rucker, the Jewish Vocational Service, and that whole bunch of government officials from North York Mayor Mel Lastman to Solicitor-General Bob Kaplan who gave their kind attention to our endeavors.

The plan of getting together to obtain employment was one of the best ideas we had. A part of our group is successfully employed. Thanks.

Djordje Popadic
[and six others]
Toronto

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ABA WASN'T FIRST

The cutline on a recent photo you ran describes Aba Gefen as Toronto's first Israeli Consul. Not so. There were several before him.

I can recall the names of two and there were others I'm sure. There was Eliezer Dembitz, the first one, and another named Lurie.

Harry Marcus
Toronto

World-National

"We're not a party to it," says Reagan

Saudis can't persuade Syrians to change mind

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guarantees in southern Lebanon, and equated an Israeli withdrawal with a Syrian evacuation.

The Syrians feel that the Israelis are not entitled to such guarantees because of their 1982 invasion, and they contend that they were invited into Lebanon, in 1976, by the Arab League. [They do not acknowledge that the Lebanese government has formally asked them to leave.]

Gemayel, who hoped that the plan would bring a new era of good will to his nation, was also attacked by Druze and Shiite leaders, who demanded his immediate resignation, and by Israel.

Speaking for Israel, Shamir said that he would not agree to a unilateral abrogation by Lebanon of the withdrawal accord.

Washington spoke with two voices.

President Ronald Reagan distanced himself from the agreement by saying, incorrectly, that "we're not a party to it, we did not help and encourage the development of it."

But George Shultz, the secretary of state, said there was no other formula for getting Israel, Syria and the PLO out of Lebanon.

This week, Saudi diplomats traveled to Damascus in an effort to persuade President Hafez Assad to change his mind about the 8-point plan. But the Syrians, who have already achieved a coup by breaking up the peace keeping force and by forcing the abrogation of the 1983 treaty, appeared adamant.

According to observers, they were holding out for a plan which would deprive Israel of any military — or political gains — from its 1982 operation.

With the Syrians riding high for the moment, their allies — the Druze and the Shiite militias under Walid Jumblatt and Nabih Berri, respectively — captured more territory from the tottering Gemayel regime.

In addition to West Beirut, the rebels have taken coastal enclaves like Damur — once a Christian center — and Khalde, where the 1983 Israeli-Lebanese pact was signed.

This week, they were poised to attack Souk el-Garb, the government's last stronghold. If they succeed, they may be in a position to take the presidential palace, the ministry of defence and East Beirut, which is controlled by Gemayel's Phalange militia.

Gemayel was also troubled by the virtual collapse of his army, which was trained by American advisors. In the face of one defeat after another, Lebanese troops deserted, some of them into Israeli-held areas south of the Awali River. It is estimated that some 15,000 Lebanese Christians have fled behind Israeli lines since the outbreak of serious fighting on Feb. 6.

Israel had its own problems in the south. Israeli patrols came under fire from unidentified gunmen, and several soldiers were wounded. Israel's casualties in Lebanon now equal those it sustained in the 1967 Six Day War.

In retaliation, Israeli jets hit Palestinian bases near Damur, Bhamdoun and Hammana, both of which lie along the Beirut-Damascus highway. Druze leaders, who were warned by Israel not to cooperate with the PLO, said there were no Palestinian guerrillas in the places attacked.

Besides using its air force to ward off the formation of new Palestinian bases in southern Lebanon, Israel sent patrols north of the Awali to convey that message.

As the multinational peacekeeping force collapsed in a heap of ruins, Israelis were debating the wisdom of remaining in Lebanon. Defence Minister Arens promised there would not be a "hasty, one-sided withdrawal." But Abba Eban, spearheading a Labor Party motion of no-confidence in the Knesset, accused the government of "plunging the nation into a no-win situation" in Lebanon. The Likud coalition defeated the motion by 52-41.

In an interview with Haaretz, Shamir said that Israel would "very soon" redeploy further south. But Rafael Eitan, Israel's erstwhile chief of staff, insisted that the army must remain permanently in Lebanon.

Mordechai Gur, who was chief of staff in the mid-1970s, said Israel should withdraw within weeks after talks with the Maronites, Druze, Shiites and Syria.

Communications Minister Mordechai Zipori seemed to express the feelings of most Israelis when he said there was a national consensus in favor of pulling out of Lebanon.

Shultz backs Reagan plan

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call for a U.S.-PLO dialogue, American Secretary of State George Shultz said that it was conditional on PLO acceptance of UN resolution 242 — which calls for the right of each state in the region to exist and an Israeli withdrawal from occupied territories.

The PLO, he said, should recognize Israel "and under those circumstances the U.S. will conduct discussions with the PLO."

(In fact, according to The New York Times, the Reagan administration had indirect talks with the PLO for nine months until Israel's 1982 invasion of Lebanon.)

In an overview of U.S. policy, Shultz said that Reagan's peace plan — which envisages an association between Jordan and the Palestinians of the West Bank, plus an Israeli moratorium on the building of settlements there — "was and remains the most hopeful, workable and feasible approach to the solution of the Palestinian problem."

In what was seen as a rebuke to the PLO, Shultz added: "There is no military option . . . The policies of rejection and violence have utterly failed.

"There is no possibility that groups refusing to accept the existence of Israel will ever achieve anything. Those who refuse to face this reality are helping perpetuate the explosive flow of current events."

Back in Israel, Defence Minister Moshe Arens — who voted against Israel's peace treaty with Egypt — responded to Mubarak's remarks by declaring: "When we hear some of the things (he) is saying, we're not quite sure the commitment is there."

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said that "apparently the Egyptian government has decided to sacrifice its relations with Israel for the sake of reintegration into the Arab fold."

He called upon Egypt "to go back to . . . the spirit of Camp David."

Eliahu Ben-Elissar, chairman of the Knesset's foreign affairs and security committee, and Israel's first ambassador to Egypt, said in effect that Mubarak had been misguided when he suggested a role for the PLO in peace talks.

"I'm afraid that this will not make an important contribution to the peace process," said Ben-Elissar, who also opposed the peace treaty. "We do not consider Arafat a moderate . . . If Mubarak thinks Arafat should be made a partner in the peace process, then there will be no peace process at all."

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The fuss churned up by Mubarak tended to overshadow King Hussein's visit to the U.S., where he received medical treatment.

Reagan, after meeting the Jordanian monarch and Mubarak together, said that the Arab-Israeli dispute "must be resolved by negotiations involving an exchange of territory for peace."

The president characterized resolution 242 as "the starting point for tangible Middle East efforts."

Opportunities for "a broader peace" are still present, he asserted.

Reagan also pledged to support Jordan in any conflict with Syria. It was a significant promise because, of late, Syria has planned terrorist attacks against Jordan for its interest in Reagan's peace plan — which makes no mention of the Golan Heights.

Significantly, too, Reagan pledged American help for Jordan to meet its security needs.

Shortly afterwards, a news report said that Reagan intends to sell up to 1,600 Stinger anti-aircraft missiles to Jordan.

Israel is reported to be preparing a campaign against the sale. Israel also opposes a scheme by the White House to establish a Middle Eastern strike force consisting of Jordanian troops.

—S.K.

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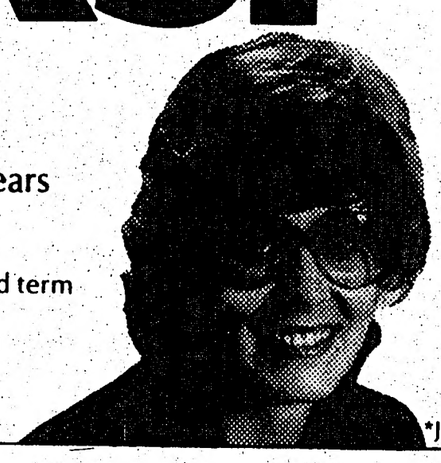

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Peres wants 1983 treaty security clauses in effect

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

Israel should try to implement security clauses in the 1983 troop withdrawal agreement abrogated by the Lebanese government last week, says Shimon Peres, head of Israel's Labor Party.

Peres, leader of the opposition, said at a press conference here that the Israeli army would be able to withdraw from Lebanon once these provisions were implemented.

Under the 1983 accord, jettisoned by President Amin Gemayel under persistent Syrian pressure, Israel is entitled to protect its northern border by carrying out overflights and land patrols over and inside Lebanese territory.

Peres, who was in Toronto on behalf of State of Israel Bonds, did not suggest how Israel would activate the security provisions in the pact, to which Syria is vehemently opposed.

Asserting there was no need for Israel to remain in Lebanon on a permanent basis, Peres said the Israeli army could "make short [armed] excursions" into that country if the PLO re-established its presence there again.

Israeli military doctrine, he said, is based on mobility rather than entrenchment.

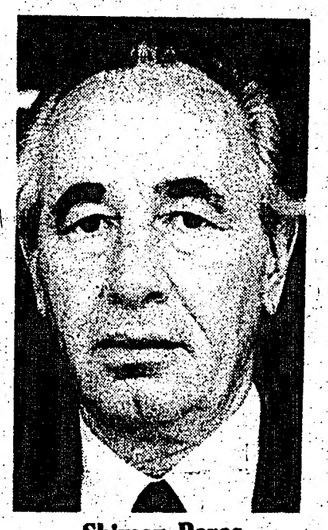
Asked if Syria now poses a threat to Israel, Peres said, "Maybe, but this doesn't call for (an Israeli) war against Syria."

Minister of defence in the last Labor government, Peres said Israel could also secure its northern frontier by maintaining the balance of power with Syria.

He warned Israel not to get involved in the selection of a new government in Lebanon if Gemayel falls. "No responsible Israeli seeks to change the Lebanese government."

Speculating on the outcome of the current turmoil in that nation, Peres said he thought Gemayel, if he survived, would come under the total influence of Syria.

Calling Lebanon "a special country," Peres said it had become "a theater for civil war" in the Arab world.



Shimon Peres

Lebanon, he said, should be left alone to solve its problems. "No one — Syria, Israel or the U.S. — can bring stability to Lebanon."

Turning to another question, Peres said the Palestinian issue should be solved by political means, through the participation of Jordan's King Hussein and Palestinians in the occupied areas not affiliated with the PLO.

The Labor Party, if elected, would pursue such a strategy, he said.

Rejecting PLO chairman Yasser Arafat as a partner in peace, Peres said he was incapable of making choices and decisions, and was not a moderate but a "catastrophe" and an "obstacle to peace."

Peres said that, because of Israel's poor economic performance, there was a possibility that early elections would be held.

Israel rapped on West Bank

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gap there is little social interaction with Israeli Jews."

In the West Bank, the report said that "civil administration of authorities have attempted to reshape local politics, particularly by blocking the influence of the Palestine Liberation Organization and by promoting an alternate leadership.

Israel is credited for allowing the establishment of four universities in the West Bank, but it is noted it "has deported faculty members for taking political stands that it regards as threatening to its security.

Israel has permitted outspoken criticism of Israeli policy by the East Jerusalem-based Arabic press but has often censured articles and editorials on security grounds and restricted the circulation of Arabic publications in the West Bank and Gaza. In addition, Israel has imposed broad restrictions on speech and assembly in those areas."

The report finds "No evidence that torture is condoned by Israel's authorities" and notes that while some Palestinian prisoners charge mistreatment, some of these charges "seemed to result from antiquated or overcrowded places of detention to which not only Palestinians are subject."

The situation in Israel is contrasted with its Arab neighbors where the report shows all of them live under authoritarian rule distinguished only by the degree of harshness. Abrams, who noted that the major gain in human rights last year was in Central and South America, said there was an improvement in the Mideast.

The condition of Jews is mentioned in several of the country reports, with the worst situation being in the Soviet Union. "The Jewish community faced a particularly difficult year in 1983, which saw a sharp increase in official anti-semitic propaganda, thinly veiled as anti-Zionism," the report says of the USSR.

The report notes the establishment of the Anti-Zionism Committee, harassment against Jews and the arrest and trials of Refuseniks like Iosif Begun. The "sharp drop" in emigration with only 1,315 Jews being allowed to leave is also mentioned.

Elsewhere, the report finds improved conditions for Jews. While noting some anti-semitic incidents in Argentina last year, the report stresses "Argentina's Jewish community of 300,000 to 400,000 practices its religion without restraint." The report finds "no evidence of an official policy of anti-semitism."

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Quebec City's only synagogue on sale block

By
JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL — Quebec City's only synagogue, Congregation Beth Israel Ohev Shalom, has been put up for sale. The decision was made regretfully, says president Moe Rosenhek, but the 35 remaining member-families found it financially impossible to continue to maintain the building.

The Jewish community of Quebec City has been declining since the early 1950s and the exodus has accelerated in the past seven or eight years as the young leave for universities or jobs in Montreal or outside of the province and the older members often move to where the children and grandchildren have gone when they retire.

The community reached a peak of about 400 persons around the time the synagogue was built in 1944. In fact, for several years, two synagogues existed in Quebec City, one downtown and the present one on Cremazie St.

Over two years ago, the community made representations to both Canadian Jewish Congress and Allied Jewish Community Services to help it financially to keep the synagogue going, said Rosenhek. What the community has received is "well-meaning, free advice, but that doesn't help our situation."

When contacted by The Canadian Jewish News recently, AJCS executive vice-president Emanuel Weiner said that he did not know the synagogue was for sale.

"We were approached about 2½ years ago by the congregation, but have not heard from them more recently. But we would be pleased to hear from them."

CJC Quebec Region chairman Bernard Finestone said maintaining the Quebec synagogue "does not warrant sidetracking scarce community funds.

"We would only have to take away dollars from something else . . . our programming budget for the entire Quebec Region for 1984 is only $84,000," he said. And at only 40 years old, there is little justification for preserving the synagogue as a Jewish historical site.

Finestone pointed out that funds from the sale of the synagogue will provide the congregation with enough money to acquire premises more suited to its diminished needs.

CJC, however, can help the Quebec Jews continue a community and religious life through the existing programs of the small communities department and regional division of the national religious department, Finestone said.

CJC staff members will be provided to help organize programming and rabbis can be sent at holidays, if the Quebec community wishes, he said.

The matter was raised at the recent CJC Quebec Region executive meeting by Ena Robinson, a member of that body and a lifelong resident of Quebec City.

She said on Dec. 21, 1981, and March 10, 1982, representatives of the congregation had met with the then president, chairman of the executive and executive vice-president of AJCS, upon referral from CJC.

"We are still awaiting a reply. Apparently we are not demographically important enough to warrant a response."

Finestone suggested that the congregation submit what it is requesting in writing.

Rabbi Samuel Prager of Montreal currently spends three days a week serving Beth Israel Chev Shalom, and weekly and some daily services, as well as social activities, continue.

The synagogue is quite large; the sanctuary has 275 seats and there are two classrooms.

When Rosenhek moved to Quebec from Campbellton, NB, in 1952, the Talmud Torah had 60 children. Today, there are four and two are leaving at the end of the school year. One bar mitzvah was held last year.

Rosenhek is not sure what the community will do after the synagogue is sold, but he was pessimistic about the future. "With no spiritual base, it is hard to say what will become of us."

Thus far, no serious offers have been made for the synagogue. (About five years elapsed between the time the Sherbrooke community put a For Sale sign on its synagogue and the sale last summer).

The congregation has already had to let some repairs to the building go undone because of the lack of money, said Rosenhek. Fortunately, the mortgage has been paid off. The congregation also has a cemetery to care for. (It has its own volunteer chevra kadisha).

The loss of the synagogue is particularly poignant for those members who remember the struggle to establish a new synagogue (a tax-free piece of real estate like all religious institutions) on then prime land in the city.

But the real trial came after the first part of the synagogue had been built. On the Saturday night before the Sunday it was to be officially opened, the synagogue was set on fire causing enough damage to delay using it. The case went eventually to Quebec Superior Court, Rosenhek said.

That tragic event, however, does not give an accurate impression of the small Jewish community's relations with its almost totally francophone fellow citizens, according to Ena Robinson, whose family has lived in Quebec City for over 100 years. [There are graves in the Jewish cemetery which date back to 1865].

"The rapport is excellent and we have learned to integrate without assimilating," she said.

Robinson noted that Quebec City has the oldest Christian-Jewish dialogue group in Canada and that Jews have been welcomed and are active in the city's civic and cultural activities.

The decision to sell the synagogue was a front-page story in Quebec's Le Soleil. "It aroused a storm. For three days I never stopped answering my phone," Robinson said.

Almost every member of the Jewish community speaks French fluently, but the province's confessional education system has meant the younger generation has gone to the English Protestant schools, reinforcing their identity as anglophones.

The social life of Jewish youth in Quebec is also limited and many have sought to meet others of their age and religion in larger Jewish communities elsewhere.

Some Jews have actually come to Quebec City in recent years — students, university professors, government employees, doctors, mainly — which had given the community a glimmer of hope.

But the numbers have not been significant enough. One of the newest members of Beth Israel Ohev Shalom is Lionel Rosenblatt, who became the U.S. consul-general in Quebec City last August and has been a regular participant at the synagogue.

Robinson emphasized that the outflow from Quebec City has not been due to the coming to power of the Parti Quebecois. "We couldn't understand what all the fracas was about in Montreal in 1976."

The community believes it is important to keep a synagogue in the provincial capital, and not only for the many tourists and those visiting on official business who turn up at services.

Without the synagogue, Robinson believes the community will lose something with which to identify and the few who have been struggling to keep it going will give up and leave town. "We are talking about the survival of a community."

Coal expert finds audience in Israel

EDMONTON — University of Alberta mineral engineering professor Norbert Berkowitz has found that there is at least one place in the world where his expertise on coal is in great demand.

That place is in Israel, which is planning to use coal for a major portion of its energy needs in the coming decades because of the loss of its oil sources.

Israeli scientists and engineers have been scrambling to learn as much as they can about the handling and use of coal. The problem is that for the rest of the world the era of coal is only a memory and have little help to offer.

Prof. Berkowitz, author of Introduction to Coal Technology and The Chemistry of Coal, due to be published this spring, is considered one of the world's leading authorities on that fuel.

Berkowitz was invited to Israel recently to give a short course to staff members of the Technion and a seminar entitled Coal Research — Opportunities for Israel at the new Centre for Coal Technology at the Ben-Gurion University of the Negev. Both were well attended.

He also visited the coal-fired power station in Hadera and a synfuels project called PAMA.

BGU rector Prof. David Wolf said of Berkowitz: "This man has got a tremendous wealth of knowledge in an area of highest national priority for Israel. We are extremely fortunate and absolutely delighted that he has begun sharing it with us. I'm sure there are going to be many, many more visits."

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Organizations and People

"Pawns in international game"

Detente is best hope for Refuseniks: Peterson

By
PATRICIA RUCKER

TORONTO —
The best hope for an improvement in the condition of Soviet Jewry lies in detente, says an MP who has just returned from the USSR.

Jim Peterson told a recent meeting of the Jewish Community Centre Northeast Couples Club that "for this reason, I would not encourage the Prime Minister to bring it [the Soviet Jewry issue] up if it would harm the peace initiative."

He was responding to a question about the content of any discussion Trudeau might have with Yuri Andropov's successor.

On a recent visit to the Soviet Union as part of an all-party parliamentary delegation, Peterson met more than 70 Refuseniks. All agreed that "we are pawns in an international game," he said.

"Until East-West tensions are reduced, they will be used in this game."

However, the move towards detente does not have to be all one way, and other Canadian representatives can hammer away on the issue of human rights, Peterson suggested.

"We can say 'if you want something on detente — give us something on human rights. It won't cost you anything.' "

Since his return from the Soviet Union last month, Peterson has been talking to Jewish groups about the 1-week trip, which took him and fellow MPs Fred King and Lynn McDonald to Moscow and Leningrad for 13 meetings with Refuseniks.

Among articles brought in by the delegation, which included Congress officials Alan Rose and Barbara Stern, were religious articles, medicine, kosher food and scientific journals.

Soviet citizens who apply for emigration visas lose their jobs and scientific professionals soon find themselves isolated and out of touch with their field.

Peterson recalled a meeting with 16 top Jewish scientists — Refuseniks without work — in one of the thousands of anonymous apartment blocks that line the streets of Moscow.

Finding the apartment was not easy: the street lights went out just as the group of Canadians emerged from the subway, and when they did find the door, there was an ambulance parked in front. Nearby were the heavy-set gentlemen in overcoats who seemed to populate every neighborhood they visited.

Peterson acknowledged that the surveillance of their activities appeared heavy. In the hotel elevator, a remark made by the solid-looking women with them was easy to translate: "Those are the Jews."

"I don't know how Alan (Rose) felt," Peterson said, "but I felt I had really arrived."

While in Toronto, Peterson attended the meeting of solidarity for Anatoly Scharansky addressed by his wife Avital.

In an interview with The CJN at the rally, he said that there are a number of things MPs can do. Since their return from the Soviet Union, he and the other MPs have been trying to meet with the Soviet ambassador to discuss what they had seen and make their concerns known.

A practical approach is the pledge every one of the 209-strong parliamentary committee on Soviet Jewry has made to adopt a Refusenik. (Anyone can participate in the program, which is sponsored by the Canadian Jewish Congress.)

And he said he hoped to promote contacts between Canadian scientists, mathematicians and other professionals with their Jewish counterparts, to enable those who had lost their jobs to keep their professional knowledge up to date.

Pair uncorked crafts show

by
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —
It all started with a Montreal ex-hippie, June Bibby, inviting herself over to the Rosh Hashanah dinner of a Toronto ex-hippie, Steven Levy.

Over a couple of bottles of Manischewitz wine, they talked until 2 a.m. about the passion they shared for handicrafts and desire to launch a truly national Canadian craft show.

The next day they got in touch with another crafts buff, Toronto lawyer Martin (Moishe) Rumack, and they formed a partnership.

As a result of their get-together, you'll be able to get together with the 30,000 shoppers expected to attend this year's fifth Winter's End Spring Craft Show and Sale. The 5-day event will be held from April 25 to 29 at the Queen Elizabeth Building at Exhibition Place.

For an admission fee of $3.50, you can snap out of the winter doldrums and have a ball shopping at the 250 booths set up by professional artisans from practically every province in Canada.

Whether it's a unique bar mitzvah or wedding gift you're after, or an item for yourself or your home furnishing, you're bound to find it at this grand supermarket-bazaar of handmade crafts.

For $300 up, you can buy silver, glass or rosewood menorahs wrought by silversmiths Marlene and Barry Goodman.

For $20 up, sculptors Pat and Ken Bennett will sell you jewelry boxes carved from exotic African hardwoods and shaped like snails, porcupines and whales.

Organizing the show has become a big business for its founders who made a total profit of $199 when they launched their initial One Of A Kind Canadian Craft Show in December of 1975. Their ninth annual version of that show last year attracted 83,000 people, grossed $525,000 and made a profit of $100,000.

Rumack, 37, who handles the finances of the partnership, expects the Winter's End Show to gross about $140,000 and make a profit of well over $20,000.

Levy, 39, who is now co-owner of the Levy-Coughlin management consultant firm, says they produce the April show largely to give a break to the exhibitors they couldn't accommodate in the Christmas show.

Bibby, 36, is the only one of the trio who works fulltime organizing the shows. An Anglican, she's also the only member of the partnership who isn't Jewish.

"I get along fine with them, using the Yiddish phrases I've picked up," she says. "They're like brothers to me, real chaverim."

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Organizations and People

What's New

By
MIRIAM HERMAN

PARENTS PROGRAM

These days parents are confronted with many problems and face difficult decisions in raising their children. Beth Tikvah Congregational School is presenting a panel discussion to help deal with the challenge of Growing Up Jewish.

The panel consists of **Rabbi Robert Marcus** of Beth Tikvah Synagogue; **Shirley Worth**, Family Life educator with Jewish Family & Child Service; **Malka Mirsky**, principal of Beth Tikvah Congregational School, and **Mark Greenberg**, a student. Each panelist will present a different aspect of Growing Up Jewish and group discussions will follow.

This program takes place on Wednesday, Feb. 29, at 8.30 p.m. at the synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave. Refreshments will be served and everyone is welcome to come and participate. Telephone 221-5083 if you wish more information.

WORKPLACE STRESS

Jewish Vocational Service is sponsoring a three-session seminar, Stress in the Workplace, to discuss aspects of stress on the job and to learn the skills of dealing with stress. Sessions will run on three consecutive Thursdays, beginning March 8, from 7-9 p.m. at JVS, 74 Tycos Dr. Seminar leader will be **Berte Rubin.**

To register (it is necessary) and for more information, call **Vivian Pullan** at 787-1151 or Berte Rubin at 787-2985. There is a fee of $25.

PORNOGRAPHY

Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood is presenting a human relations morning program on Pornography and Violence Against Women on Thursday, March 1, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Philip Smith Congregational Hall of the temple.

Registration is at 9 a.m. with guest speaker **Mary Brown**, chairman of the Ontario Board of Censorship and director of the theatres branch, at 9.15. Following a break for coffee and refreshments (at 10), there will be a workshop at 10.15 conducted by **Barbara Waisberg** and **Margaret Smith**, including the screening of Not a Love Story, the National Film Board's presentation on pornography.

The fee is $4 for sisterhood members and $5 for guests. Babysitting is available on request. For further information, contact **Phyllis** at the temple office at 789-3291.

HELP FOR WIDOWERS

A new self-help group for recent widowers over 55 years of age is now forming. This supportive service is non-sectarian, free of charge and open to men widowed less than two years.

The first meeting takes place on Thursday, March 1, at 7.30 p.m. at the Joseph E. and Minnie Wagman Centre (in the library), 55 Ameer Ave. Membership in the Wagman Centre is not required. For further information, call the centre at 789-5131, ext. 477, and ask for **Alan Steinberg.**

NUTRITIONAL POINTERS

Clanton Park Synagogue Sisterhood is having nutritional consultant **Linda Jess**, director of Canadian Health Food Association and vice-president of the Nutritional Consultants Organization of Canada, as guest speaker at its next meeting. The topic will be Turning "Survive" Into "Thrive": A Lifestyle Approach For Total Well-Being.

You can learn why aluminum cookware is dangerous, why you should eat less red meat, how to preserve nutrients in food preparation, how illness promotes health, and recipes your children and maybe even your husband will like.

Meeting takes place at the synagogue, 11 Lowesmoor Ave., Downsview, on Tuesday, Feb. 28. It begins at 8.30 p.m. with the speaker at 8.45. There is an admission charge of $1 for non-sisterhood members. For information, call 630-5622.

ROBERTS TO SPEAK

John Roberts, minister of immigration and employment, is the guest speaker at the Sunday, Feb. 26, breakfast meeting of Beth Tzedec Men's Club. Breakfast is at 9.30 a.m. and the speaker at 10. The public is welcome.

JSF EVENTS

Here's a list of Jewish Student Federation events at York University this week —

Thursday, Feb. 23, is International Students Solidarity Day for Soviet Jewry, sponsored by York Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry (YSSSJ). At 1.30 p.m. **Genya Intrator** and YSSSJ members will place a phone call to a Refusenik in Russia.

This takes place in S 869 Ross Building, followed, at 2 p.m. by a talk by Mrs. Intrator on Russian Anti-semitism: Its Origins and Its New Direction. At 5 p.m. the film, The Fixer, will be shown in Room S 205 Ross Building, followed by a light dinner. And at 8 p.m. **Martin Penn** will discuss Soviet Jews Today and Beyond.

On Friday, Feb. 24, there is the Shabbat dinner and Oneg Shabbat. Dinner is at 6 p.m. at Vanier College, Masters Dining Room. Tickets are $5.

On Saturday, Feb. 25, JSF starts off the season with its Almost Spring Dance. So, be at Vanier College at 8 p.m. There will be lots of prizes to be won plus the sound and light of **Carey Miller.** Cost is $3 in advance or $4 at the door.

For tickets or information about all activities, call the JSF office at 667-3647.

WINTER SERIES

Rabbi Moshe Stern concludes the Shaarei Tefillah Congregation winter series of adult education seminars on Tuesday, Feb. 28 with Napoleon's Approach to the Jewish Problem — A Historical Retrospect. The time is 8 p.m. at the synagogue, 3600 Bathurst St. There is no charge and everyone is welcome.

GIFT RENTALS

Toronto Women's ORT is planning its annual bazaar for Wednesday, May 23, from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. at St. Lawrence Market and has openings for gift and boutique rentals. If interested, call **Helen Gold** at 787-0297.

ALJS DISCUSSION

The Association for the Living Jewish Spirit (ALJS) will hold a discussion group on Thursday, Feb. 23, at 8 p.m. at the Forest Hill Public Library Building, 666 Eglinton Ave. W., room 3. The topic will be Can the Modern Jew Be Neutral in Politics?

The ALJS believes that the task and destiny of the Jewish people is to be what all mankind should be but fails to be — a spirit-governed community. President is **Rabbi Reuben Slonim** at 789-0101 and secretary is **Felix Eckstein** at 926-1368.

GUEST AUTHOR

Shaar Shalom Synagogue's adult education committee is presenting **Harold Troper**, co-author of None Is Too Many, who will be discussing his book on Wednesday, Feb. 29, at 8 p.m. at the synagogue (Don Mills Rd. and Simonston Blvd.). Members of the community are invited to attend.

BETH SHOLOM

On Sunday, Feb. 26, the guest speaker at the Beth Sholom Brotherhood Tallis and Tefillah Breakfast Club meeting will be **Sol Littman**, journalist and author of the recent book, War Criminal on Trial: The Rauca Case. His topic will be Canada's 1,000 War Criminals: Who Are They? Services are at 9.30 a.m., breakfast at 10 and the speaker at 10.30.

FOR THE WIDOWED

Jewish Singles Project Connect is reaching out to recently widowed men and women, age 25 plus, to form a support group to ease the grief and uncertainty for the future. Call 731-4600 mornings for further information.

SECURITY BILL

Congregation Shaareh Haim, the Richmond Hill congregation, is having a breakfast meeting on Sunday, Feb. 26, at 10 a.m. at Roselawn Public School, 422 Carrville Rd., Richmond Hill. Guest speaker **Ken Swan**, national director of the Canadian Civil Liberties Association, will talk about the Canadian Security Bill. There will be a nominal charge for breakfast. For further information, contact **Joe Frankfort** at 245-5050.

HAMILTON JCC

On Wednesday, Feb. 29, the second annual panel discussion dealing with the future of the Hamilton Jewish Community Centre will take place. **Donald Carr**, national chairman of the National Budgeting Conference, will give the keynote address titled Financial Crisis in the Jewish Community — Going Down the Drain? Panel members will be **Judge David Steinberg, Dr. Morris Blajchman, Rabbi Bernard Baskin** and **Mel Gunn** with **Sam Solfer** as moderator.

Program takes place at 8 p.m. at Shalom Village.

STAFF WANTED

Camp Yeladim is now hiring staff for its summer program. Camp runs from July 3-Aug. 11 at Temple Sinai, 210 Wilson Ave. It is geared for children 2½-6 years of age. For more information, call **Pam Romain** at 487-4161 Sundays from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, or leave a message.

SHALOM VILLAGE

March is just around the corner and Hamilton's Shalom Village has prepared a list of March special programs.

Thursday, March 1 — Around City Hall with **Alderman Mary Kiss** discussing city happenings at 10.30 a.m.

Saturday, March 3 — Shabbat service and kiddush lunch beginning at 9.30 a.m.

Monday, March 5 — Romeo the barber at 9 a.m.

Tuesday, March 6 — Special craft afternoon with Trudy Deys at 1.30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 7 — An Introduction to Photography with Lyn Sharman at 2 p.m.

Thursday, March 8 — Olde English Pub Night with guests Fran Garshaw and Chris Lovett at the piano at 7.30 p.m.

Monday, March 12 — Public health nurse Brenda will visit at 1 p.m. . . . Guest Sheldon Wolfson will speak on Diabetes and How It Affects You at 2 p.m.

Tuesday, March 13 — The film, A Portrait of the Artist — An Old Lady at 7.30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 14 — Special co-sponsored Purim party with luncheon and entertainment by The Heritage Players of Toronto's Wagman Centre under the direction of Nathan Garnick at 12 noon.

All these programs are in addition to regular activities. For further information, call 528-5377 in Hamilton.

The schedule for the last two weeks of March will be included in next week's column.

SHAAREI TEFILLAH

Shaarei Tefillah Congregation is sponsoring a Purim celebration on Saturday, March 17, featuring the Neshomoh Orchestra and a full course Chinese dinner served by Peter Graben Caterers. Cost is $15 for adults and $7.50 for children. Reservations are a must. Call the synagogue at 787-1631 to reserve or for information.

On Sunday, April 8, at 8 p.m. the congregation is sponsoring a cantorial concert featuring **Cantors Ben-Tzion Miller** of New York (he was formerly cantor of Shaarei Tefillah), **Yaacov Modzin** of Montreal, and **Yitzchok Aptowitzer**, present cantor of Shaarei Tefillah. Tickets may be obtained from the synagogue office.

On Saturday, March 3, there will be a youth service in the main sanctuary. The entire service will be conducted by the youth, followed by a Shabbat lunch with guest speaker **Rabbi Immanuel Schochet**, who will discuss the responsibility of young adults vis-a-vis the general community.

Shaarei Tefillah will be having two Orthodox, traditional Passover seders at the synagogue April 16 and 17. For information and reservations, call the synagogue office.

ON STAGE

The Leah Posluns Theatre, in co-operation with Art Theatre Production Company, is presenting **Henry Denker's** delightful comedy Second Time Around, March 1-24. Directed and designed by **Reva Stern-Tward**, it stars **Helen Hughs** and **Antony Parr.** Tickets are available through the box office at 630-6752 or any Bass outlet.

MONTE CARLO

Adath Israel Brotherhood's annual Monte Carlo and fun auction is set for Saturday, March 3, at the synagogue. The casino and bingo will run from 8-10.30 p.m. and the fun auction from 9 p.m. Admission of $5 includes $2 in chips. Door prizes include a Sanyo video cassette recorder. Tickets will be available at the door.

NCSY UPDATE

National Conference of Synagogue Youth (NCSY) continues its Free Jewish High School program for students grades 9-13 every Tuesday evening from 7.30-9.30 at Shaarei Tefillah Congregation, 3600 Bathurst St. Guest speaker on Feb. 28 will be **Rabbi Menachem Gopin**, Mizrachi national director. Refreshments will follow.

To find out about this or other NCSY programs, either drop by the office located at Shaarei Tefillah (lower level) or call **Richard Winkler** at 782-3117.

COUPLES GROUP

The next meeting of the Kehillat Shaarei Torah couples group will focus on Tough Love, an organization dedicated to supporting parents whose children need strict discipline. **Ron Urquhart** will be the guest speaker.

Meeting takes place on Saturday, Feb. 25, at 8.30 p.m. at the home of **Roy and Maureen Arluck**, 8 Crimson Millway, Willowdale. **Adele and Barney Breslow** are the committee chairmen. Call them at 498-7995 (evenings) for information and reservations.

SYRIAN JEWRY RALLY

On Sunday, March 4, Network (North American Jewish Students Network) is sponsoring a procession and memorial ceremony for the deceased members of the Abadi family who were murdered recently in Syira. A funeral procession (motorcade) will assemble at 11 a.m. at Bathurst and Sheppard plaza (outside the Video Hut) and will proceed to Queen's Park. The memorial service-rally will begin at 12.30 p.m. outside the Parliament Buildings.

Cars are needed to participate in the funeral motorcade. Drivers should register with Network office at 928-9160.

This program launches National Syrian Jewry Week with events being held in communities and campuses across Canada. Do try to be there.

ABOUT ILEITIS & COLITIS

The Canadian Foundation for Ileitis and Colitis now has a North York chapter which is holding an educational meeting on Tuesday,

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AZA ANNIVERSARY

Celebrating the 60th anniversary of AZA, the boys component of B'nai B'rith Youth Organization, at a recent meeting of the BB Youth Commission in Washington, D.C. are, left to right Anne Strom of Toronto, vice-chairman, representing BB Women; Brenda Fishman of California, BB Girls international president; Ted Greenfield of St. Laurent, Que., of BB Canada District 22, and Dan Fields of Portland, Ore., AZA international president.

Organizations and People

What's New

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Feb. 28. Guest speaker will be **Dr. Fred Saibil**, gastroenterologist, Sunnybrook Medical Centre, who will talk about Drug Therapy of Inflammatory Bowel Disease. Time is 8 p.m. in the main lecture theatre, E wing, ground floor, Sunnybrook Medical Centre, 2075 Bayview Ave.

KIDS COOKING COURSE

Let your child learn not only safety in the kitchen but how to cook some delicious favorites by signing them up for the cooking course offered by Wilmington 3's Best Tiny Tots. Course runs on Wednesdays from 1.15-2.45 p.m. March 28-June 13 at Earl Bales Park Community Centre (Bathurst and Sheppard). It is geared for children 3-5 years of age.

Registration is Wednesday, Feb. 29, from 1.15-2.45 p.m. at Earl Bales Park Community Centre, room 1. Registration is on a first come, first serve basis. For more information, contact **Marlene Hesas**, community recreation co-ordinator at 636-0359.

THE HEARTSAVER

THE HEARTSAVER — CPR course is being offered Monday Feb. 27 and repeated on March 19 and April 12 at Forest Hill Library, 700 Eglinton Ave. W. All sessions run from 7-9 p.m. Cost is $25 per person. Comfortable dress is recommended. Register at the library.

Course is co-sponsored by the Emergency Service Training Program, Ontario Heart Association and the library. For information, call 787-0179.

at the jcc

The Jewish Community Centre northern branch is hosting a bingo night on Saturday, Feb. 25. Early bird games at start at 7.15 p.m. Prizes include camera, lamps, gourmet foods, a grand prize of a trip for two to Jamaica, and more. Everyone is welcome but seating is limited so come out early. The address is 4588 Bathurst St. For information, call 636-1880, ext. 235.

There will be a sale of paintings and prints by **Jack Pollock**, who is moving to France at the Koffler Centre of the Arts of the JCC on Sunday, Feb. 26, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For information, call 636-2145.

The Koffler Gallery, Koffler Centre of the Arts, has organized a New York City art gallery tour for April 27-29. Highlights will include a slide lecture on New York galleries before the tour and visits to various galleries including the Jewish Museum. Cost of $485 double occupancy or $655 single occupancy includes air transportation, accommodation and breakfast at the Kershire Place, transportation taxes, NYC transfers and baggage handling. Participation is limited. Reserve before March 12 by calling **Rose Binder** at 636-1880, ext. 328.

Come and dance the hours away on Thursday, Feb. 23, from 8.30-12 midnight at the JCC northern branch. There will be a disc jockey, prizes, a break dance demonstration, potent punch. You must be 19 years and over. Admission is $5 in advance or $6 at the door.

The third annual Mechol Hanoar Israeli Folk Dance Festival for Youth, directed by **Teme Kernerman**, JCC folk dance co-ordinator, recently was held at the Bloor JCC. The Board of Jewish Education and the JCC co-sponsored the event with participating groups Associated Junior High, Bialik Hebrew Day School, Community Hebrew Academy of Toronto, United Synagogue Day School and both the Neurim Dance Group and Nirkoda Israeli Dancers of the JCC.

Two exciting new groups are meeting to discuss women's issues, such as role changes, pornography, women and Judaism. Discussion will soon lead to some kind of action on an issue of the groups' choice. Choose from Tuesdays from 8-10 p.m. in room 214 or Thursdays from 1-2.30 p.m. in room 207 at the northern JCC. Groups meet weekly, so if you're busy this week, come next week at the same time. For further information, call **Lisa Nerman** or **Mindy Coplevitch** at 636-1880, ext. 220.

At the Bloor branch — on Sunday, Feb. 26, the Bloor JCC, 750 Spadina Ave. (at Bloor) sponsors its second children's Computer Arcade Day in the main lounge from 1-3 p.m. Admission is $2 for JCC members and $2 for non-members. For information, call **Mark Egan** at 924-6211. . . . The family Purim celebration is set for Sunday, March 18, from 12.30-2 p.m. in the auditorium. Everyone is welcome. There will be crafts, entertainment and food. . . . The Book Review Group meets on Wednesday, Feb. 29, at 7 p.m. to discuss **Germaine Greer's** The Female Eunuch . . . The stroke recovery program runs on Wednesdays from 11.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. with an exercise class followed by various social and cultural events. For information call Mark Egan or **Annette Anker** at 924-6211. . . . The Bloor JCC's annual Passover seder will be on Wednesday, April 18. Seating is limited and reservations are necessary. Cost is $20 for adults, $15 for seniors and $10 for children. Contact Mark Egan now.

At the North-East branch — An eagerly awaited yearly event will take place on Sunday, Feb. 26, from 2-4 p.m. when the North-East branch of the JCC holds its family winter carnival at the JCC Valley, 7015 Leslie St. (north of Steeles). Bring the whole family and enjoy a sing-a-long with **Sandy Offenheim**, games, movies, refreshments, pony rides, cook-out, and if there is enough snow, sleigh rides, snowman building and cross country skiing. Cost is $4 per member family or $6 per non-member family. For more information, call 889-0813.

The Jewish Babysitting Co-op, co-sponsored by Jewish Family & Child Service, Jewish Singles Project Connect and the NE branch JCC, is a co-operative babysitting exchange for those in need of occasional, short-term child care. Applications are now being accepted and interviews conducted. Call **Susan Levine** at 889-0813 or **Beverley Mandell** at 498-5223.

singles

The **Jewish Community Singles 25-35** years, invite you to a February is Fun dance on Saturday, Feb. 25, at 8 p.m. at the JCC Valley, 7015 Leslie St. (north of Steeles). Admission is $4 for JCC members with cards and $5 for non-members. For more information, call **Ruth Goodman** at 636-1880, ext. 239 any Wednesday.

Solelim (25-40) would like to remind all singles to attend an afternoon of ice skating (if mild weather continues, roller skating) on Sunday, Feb. 26. Meet at 12 noon at Temple Sinai, 210 Wilson Ave. (east of Bathurst). Please look for **Ray**. . . .

Upcoming events include lectures, pot luck dinners, movie nights, dances and sporting events. If you have any suggestions for upcoming events or any questions about these programs, call **Mandell** at 783-2779 from 7-10 p.m.

The **JCC Singles [40 +]** coffee house on Monday, Feb. 27, is a film night with a classic oldie, popcorn, pretzels and potato chips. Meet in the Good Age Lounge of the JCC northern branch, 4588 Bathurst St., at 8 p.m. There is a charge of $1 for coffee and cake. Call 636-1880, ext. 332 or **Doris** at 636-1687 or information.

The **Jewish Singles Project Connect** announces a new improved singles information line. Call 731-4600 evenings or weekends to find out the latest information and activities. . . . Are you looking for male companionship and support? Jewish Singles Project Connect is offering a Men's Awareness Group for recently separated and divorced men 55 and under, beginning March 1. For more information, call 731-4600 mornings. . . .

Are you finding it difficult to cope with the pain of separation, divorce or widowhood? Call Jewish Singles Project Connect's one-to-one program for emotional support from a volunteer who has experienced a similar situation. The number is 731-4600, mornings.

Circle Saturday, March 3, on your calendar. That's the date of the midwinter dance run by **Holy Blossom Temple Single/ Single Parents** group. It all begins at 8 p.m. at the temple. Tickets are $4 for members and $6 for non-members. Please note — $1 from each ticket sold will go toward helping a Refusenik family in Russia. Refreshments will be served. For additional information, call **Miriam** at 223-7170 or **Elaine** at 484-6484. Call after 6 p.m.

A Grammy Awards party is set for Monday, Feb. 27, at 8.30 p.m. at Partners, 4985 Yonge St. (four blocks north of Sheppard). Dance to many of the Grammy nominations and other hit songs. Admission is $3. For information, call Partners at 224-0204.

Stan Glass Social and Travel Association for singles of all ages has arranged an information meeting to discuss future social and travel programs for members. For information regarding time and place and about the association, contact Stan Glass at 638-0747 or 593-0600 days.

On Wednesday, Feb. 29, at 7 p.m. the Bloor JCC Book Review group will be discussing The Female Eunuch by **Germaine Greer**. Everyone is welcome. For information, call **Mark Egan** at 924-6211.

The **Jewish Union Book Club** reminds all members about the meeting on Sunday, Feb. 26, at 1.30 p.m. Come prepared to discuss and review **George Orwell's** 1984. Refreshments will be served. For next month's book selection title, contact **Jerry** at 787-4352 after 6 p.m.

On Wednesday, April 18, the Bloor JCC is holding its annual Passover seder. Seating is limited so reservations are necessary. The cost is $20 for adults, $15 for seniors, and $10 for children. Call Mark Egan at 924-6211.

for seniors

Shaarei Shomayim Friendship Club's trip to Israel and London, March 12-April 1, is really going strong. There are still some opening and the final briefing session for participants is Wednesday, March 7, at 1.30 p.m. at the synagogue. If you are interested, contact **Lena Sugar** at 789-3213 or **Merle Young** at 499-4400. . . .

Esther Schwartz's nutrition and cooking classes continue on Monday, Feb. 27, at 1 p.m. . . . Ongoing programs include exercise on Monday and Thursday mornings at 10.30, dance classes on Wednesdays from 12.15-1.15 and oil painting on Thursdays at 1 p.m.

Workmen's Circle Social Club [+ 60] is returning from its Miami trip and has scheduled the opening meeting for Tuesday, March 6, at 12 noon at 471 Lawrence Ave. W. There will be lunch with entertainment by singer **Fern Dworkin** and pianist **Paul Matthew**. Guest speaker will be **Rabbi David Monson**. Guests are welcome.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, **Beth Tzedec Friendship Club + 50** will have a program of Dance Baroque, a lecture-performance by **Elaine Biagi Turner** and **Karen Belyea**. The time is 1.15 p.m. at the synagogue. Refreshments and coffee will be served. Everyone is welcome. There is a charge of $1.50 for non-members.

Club Chaverim, the North-East Jewish seniors group, meets on Monday, Feb. 27, at 1.30 p.m. at Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave. Guest speaker **Bill Marsh** of the TTC will persent a multi-media presentation on Moving People. Admission is 50 cents for members and 75 cents for non-members. . . .

Morning programs include oil painting, beginners bridge, and English as a second language. Stay on for lunch — either bring your own (dairy) or enjoy a variety of cheese, herring, tuna and egg salads, fresh fruit and vegetables, all you can eat for $1. . . . For information, contact **Rose Shapiro** at 889-0813.

At the **Holy Blossom Temple Alumni** meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 29, nutritionist **Carmen Connolly** will discuss Nutrition and Your Health. Meeting is at 1.30 p.m. at the temple.

Migdal David, an independent retirement residence, will be holding open house on three consecutive Sundays — Feb. 26, March 4 and 11. This will give the public an opportunity to view the building's many facilities — model suites, dining room, lounges and more. Reservations are not required.

Migdal David, located at 3705 Bathurst St. (just south of Hwy. 401), provides three kosher meals a day, maid and linen service. For further information, contact **Jeanne Martina** at 789-7555.

Cranbrooke Friendship Club, 585 Cranbrooke Ave., invites you to lunch and entertainment every second Tuesday at 1 p.m. On Feb. 28, the movie, The World of Rembrandt, will be shown. Come and bring your friends. Charge for members is $1.25. For information, contact **Eva Brownstone** at 787-3606.

Join the **Adath Sholom Jubilee Club** for a trip to Brown's in the Catskills from Thursday, May 10 to Monday, May 14. Accommodation per person is from $182 U.S. funds, which includes gratuities. Chartered bus fare is $30 Canadian funds, including refreshments. Trip features three gourmet meals daily, nightly entertainment, dances, indoor pool, free golf, shopping tour and many extras.

A deposit of $25 U.S. for accommodation and $30 Canadian for chartered bus is required. Reservations on a first come, first serve basis. For information, contact **Helen Weizenbluth** at 635-6343 or 633-5169, or synagogue office at 635-0131.

A stroke recovery program runs on Wednesdays from 11.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. at the Bloor JCC in the main lounge with an exercise class followed by a social or cultural activity. For information, contact **Mark Egan** or **Annette Anker** at 924-6211.

At the **Wagman Centre** — A song recital by soprano Rose Lovas, accompanied by Lola Julietta Kayne will be given on Tuesday, Feb. 28, at 7.30 p.m.

On Wednesday, April 18, the Bloor JCC will be holding its annual Passover seder. Seating is limited and reservations are necessary. Cost is $20 for adults, $15 for seniors and $10 for children. Contact Mark at 924-6211.

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living, 1003 Steeles Ave. W., is holding an open forum on Wednesday evening, Feb. 29, with **Jim Peterson**, MP for Willowdale and chairman of the all-party parliamentary committee on Soviet Jewry, as guest speaker. His topic — Update on Soviet Jewry. The time is 7 p.m. Admission is free and the community is welcome.

The Sunday afternoon program on Feb. 26 presents a performance of Living Flame, a dynamic, talented group of musicians and singers. Program begins at 2 p.m. and admission is $1 for members and $1.50 for non-members.

York University's Atkinson College lecture series continues on Tuesday, Feb. 28, at 10 a.m. with **Prof. Thomas Meininger** discussing Russian Art of Social Protest in the 19th Century. The lecture is free of charge.

The Wednesday afternoon social on Feb. 29, at 1.15 p.m. will be a film to shoo away the February blues.

There is a dance on Sunday, Feb. 26, at 7.30 p.m. with live music of the Creative Band.

On Thursday, Feb. 23, **Prof. Frederick Gerson**, department of literature, University of Toronto, will present The Jew in North American Literature — An Overview. That's from 1-3 p.m. There is a $1 charge for members and $2 for non-members.

For information about activities at the centre, call 225-2112.

About People

CLASSICAL CABARET

Three years ago **Ruth Morawetz** founded Classical Cabaret in Toronto, an annual series of concerts presenting young opera and music-theatre singers. A noted pianist and accompanist, she writes the signature music for each concert along with **Joanne Ruderfer** who provides the lyrics. The concert on Sunday, March 18 (the 4th in this year's series of six) will feature the world premiere of their 10-minute situation comedy, Choices, preformed by **Janet Smith, Ross Thompson** and **Janelle Hutchison.**

Ruth Morawetz

All concerts are held at the George Ignatieff Theatre, University of Toronto. Showtime is 3 p.m. And you can join the artists afterwards in the Buttery (adjacent to the theatre).

PHOTO EXHIBIT

Mindy Berenstein's photographs will be exhibited at Fairveiw Library during the month of March. Her photographs have appeared in Toronto Life and Toronto Calendar Magazine and she has participated in several solo and group exhibitions, including the Koffler Centre of the Arts, Lemos Galeria, North York Arts Council's juried and open shows and at the Toronto Outdoor Art Exhibition. Mindy graduated from the Ontario College of Art in 1981 where she studied photography, printmaking, painting and design.

Fairview Library is located at 35 Fairview Mall Dr.

MACCABI APPOINTMENTS

Dr. Irving Petroff has been named chairman of the Maccabi Ontario Athletic Committee and **Dr. Marvin Kopel**, secretary. Both will also serve on the executive board of Maccabi Canada.

The main responsibility of the Maccabi organizations is the training and selection of young athletes to compete in the Maccabiah Games, which are held every four years. Maccabiah XII will take place in Israel in July 1985.

Organizations and People

Work extends from hospital into community

Mount Sinai volunteers a special breed of people

By
SHEILA DROPKIN

TORONTO —

Anyone who believes that the role of the hospital volunteer is limited to pushing a library cart from room to room or serving in the gift shop is destined for a rude awakening.

Last year, the 550 men and women (mainly women, to be frank) who donated their time to Mount Sinai Hospital worked more than 76,000 hours in over 50 different departments. The volunteer service has been operational for 30 years.

Certainly, some volunteers make gift shop items and library books available to the patients. But their responsibilities also embrace such duties as escorting patients to their rooms upon admission and to the CT Scan and Gastro-Intestinal Unit, discharging all maternity patients, assisting in the emergency department, caring for discharged patients in a special waiting room until they are called for by family members, serving as liaison with the families of patients in the surgical waiting room and assisting with ambulatory patients in the department of family practice and community medicine.

Mount Sinai volunteers represent a cross-section of the Toronto community, embracing people from all over the world, with every ethnic and religious background. The programs in which they are involved are so varied and all-encompassing, that representatives from other hospitals throughout Canada and as far afield as New South Wales and Israel have come here for information before establishing or expanding their own services.

"The work of our volunteers extends from the hospital into the community and all over the world," Renee Fleishman, Mount Sinai's director of volunteers, says simply but proudly.

As she sits in her small office, surrounded by the bedlam of construction for the new Research Institute, Mrs. Fleishman has only words of praise for her small army of workers. Although their work, if paid for, would cost the hospital more than half a million dollars annually, Fleishman prefers not to look at the financial element.

"There's no way to equate this service in terms of financial interests," she says. "It is important, but is not a part of the human value we place on our volunteers. We ask of our volunteers only their very best and in return, they will receive the very best. We require that they have a warm heart and a sense of caring for our patients."

She believes that the note sent to her by a volunteer recently undoubtedly echoes the sentiments of all. The volunteer program "benefits not only the patients whom it serves, but also the volunteers themselves, whose lives are enriched, as much as mine has been, by their association with the hospital," the woman wrote.

And a woman whose father had been admitted to the emergency department suffering from a major heart attack wrote Fleishman that "an angel in a volunteer uniform cared for us."

Mount Sinai volunteers start at age 18 and go up through the generations to 80 and even beyond. Fleishman jokes that "they're neither too young nor too old" and adds happily that many represent the third generation in their families to serve Mount Sinai.

She's especially pleased with the students who devote their summers to the hospital. Most are in university planning health care careers, and return summer after summer while in school. Some also give time during the school year.

Of the more mature people in the group, some have been with the hospital for 25-30 years, many of them devoting far more than the requisite four hours a week to the institution. Fay Glazier, for example, works in the intensive care unit three days a week, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and sometimes even later. She was recently specially praised for her devotion by the head nurse in the unit.

Vera Stasko has been a volunteer since 1977 and has provided 6,000 hours of service in the patient escort service and the admitting department.

From among those volunteers who have worked above and beyond the call of their duty has evolved a group of more than 40 who provide the leadership required by such a large and growing team. These people devote at least two full days each week to the hospital and assist Fleishman in orienting and training new volunteers in addition to fulfilling their own specific responsibilities.

One of the leadership volunteers, Rose Novick has been at Mount Sinai for eight years. Formerly head nurse in the department of cardiology at Montreal's Maimonides Home and Hospital for the Aged, she now serves Mount Sinai in the emergency department.

So dedicated is she, that she expressed guilt feelings at having left the department for five minutes to talk with The CJN. She's given the hospital almost 3,000 hours of service since she first enlisted as a volunteer and will undoubtedly devote many more before she retires.

"I get a lot of satisfaction from working here," Novick said. "I feel that I'm being very useful and contributing."

Ruth Goldberg, who is currently one of the volunteers in the family practice and community medicine unit, was trained as an obstetrical nurse in the old Mount Sinai. She's been a volunteer for 14 years.

Pearl Ehrlich is another former nurse and now is a leadership volunteer in the oncology department. The volunteer role in this area of hospital service is considered crucial for those patients who come here for cancer treatment.

Of the male volunteers, David Rosen devotes three days a week in the CT Scanner Unit, Morris Alexandroff serves twice weekly in the admitting department, Barney Cohen gives his three days to the department of nuclear medicine and Albert Goldstein can regularly be found at his place behind the reception desk of the hospital's University Ave. entrance. Mrs. Fleishman expressed interest in having even more men join the group.

Written guidelines have been prepared for every program in which volunteers serve so that they will know exactly what is expected of them. Fleishman worked closely with the professional staff in each department in setting these up. She explained that the cooperation from the professionals has been crucial in making all of these programs so successful.

"We have the confidence and respect of the professional staff," she explains. "They personally request our volunteers for certain patients and we are delighted at their involvement in our program."

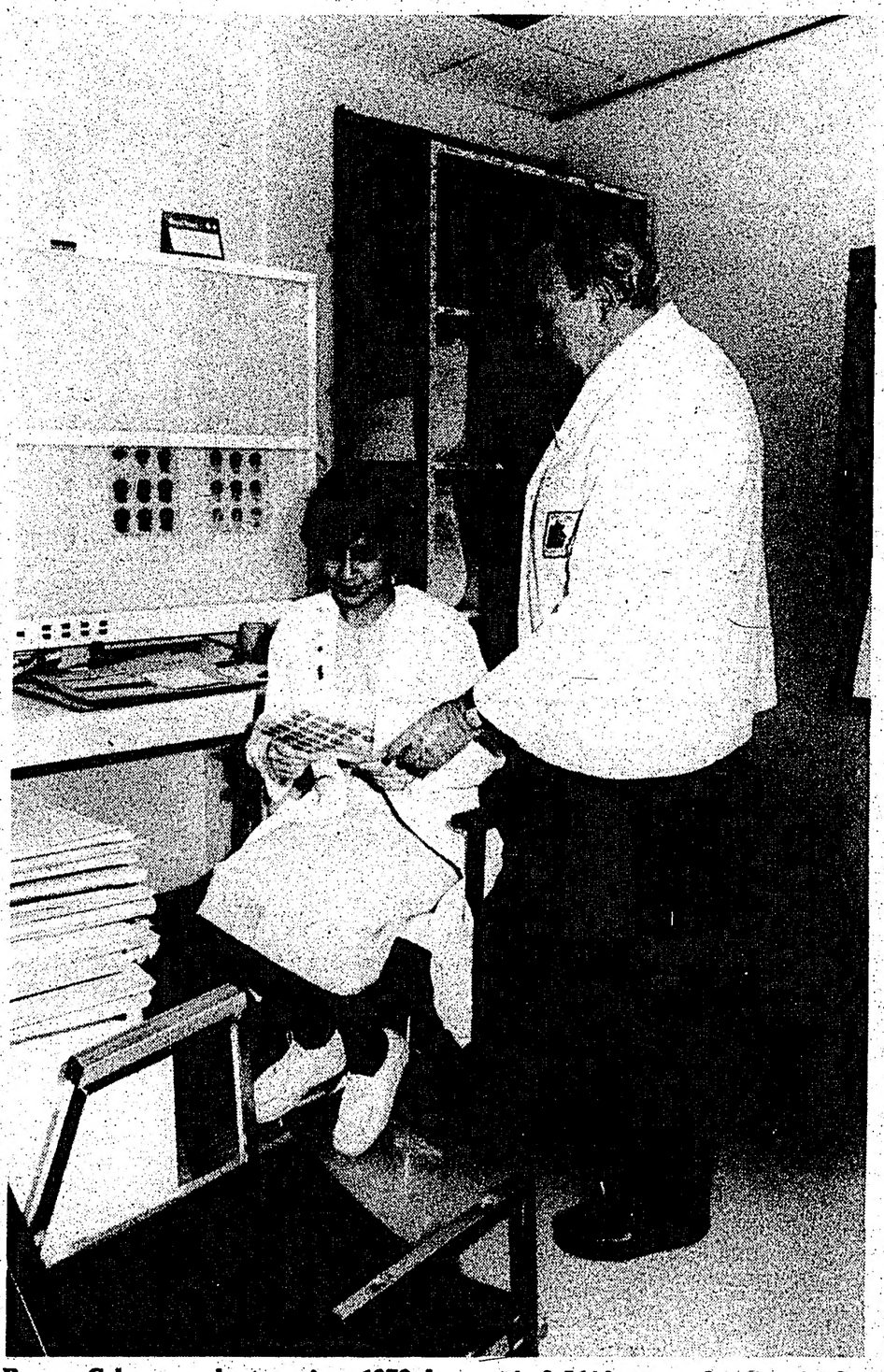
Each year, those volunteers who have given at least 500 hours to the hospital are honored at a reception attended by Gerald Turner, Mount Sinai's executive director, and many others on the professional staff. The department of volunteers also works closely with the hospital's auxiliary.

For the Jewish holidays, the volunteers extend themselves even further, escorting patients to the hospital's synagogue for services and to the dining room for seders and other holiday dinners. Calling them a "very fine group of young people," Mrs. Fleishman adds that the students of Beth Jacob High School arrive before every Jewish holiday with gifts for the patients.

"Our motto is 'people caring for people,' " Fleishman explains.

"I consider it one of my prime responsibilities and greatest pleasures to select the areas of work for the volunteers."

Renee Fleishman has been at Mount Sinai since 1958 and was named director of volunteers 11 years later. During this time, she has seen her department expand and become entrenched as an integral part of Mount Sinai Hospital. If she has her way, it will never rest on its laurels, but will continue to grow and accommodate the needs of the patients and the staff.



Barney Cohen, a volunteer since 1979, has put in 2,564 hours and assists in the department of nuclear medicine three days a week.

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Question & Answer Period

Representatives meet with W. German consul-general

Jewish groups denounce arms sale to Saudis

TORONTO —

"We believe that the sale would amount to an abdication of Germany's moral responsibility to the Jewish people."

Representatives of four major Jewish organizations used those strong terms last week when meeting with the West German consul-general in Toronto to express their "profound dismay" at West Germany's proposed sale of $5 billion worth of sophisticated weaponry to Saudi Arabia.

Present at the meeting with consul-general Dr. E. G. Koch were Les Scheininger, David Rubin, Dr. Edmond Lipsitz, Ben Kayfetz and Sam Resnick from Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region; Frank Wilson and Gerald Potasky from Ontario Region Council B'nai B'rith; Max Goody from Canadian Zionist Federation Central Region; Nathan Leipciger from Toronto Jewish Congress; and Rabbi Erwin Schild of Toronto in his personal capacity.

A similar protest was recently made by a B'nai B'rith Canada delegation (see CJN, Feb. 9).

Last week's statement of protest read in part:

"The Federal Republic's arguments in favor of the sale are entirely irrelevant to what is the basic concern of the Jewish people on this issue: that a generation after the Holocaust, the German government believes that it can unilaterally discharge Germany's special obligation and, in effect, declare a statute of limitations on its crimes against the Jews.

"Furthermore, by assuming the role of arms dealer to an anti-Jewish regime, Germany will cast serious doubt on the sincerity of its self-proclaimed moral rehabilitation.

"Germany has a moral responsibility to the Jewish people. This responsibility entails the moral obligations to ensure that West German arms are not employed in any way inimical to the State of Israel.

"It matters not whether these arms are 'offensive' or 'defensive' in nature, for the very idea that German weapons might once again be employed to kill Jews is of itself obscene.

"We call upon Chancellor Kohl and his government to maintain Germany's commitment to her special obligations to the Jewish people, by renouncing the Federal Republic's intention to sell weapons to Saudi Arabia."

Leipciger, chairman of the Toronto Jewish Congress Holocaust Remembrance Committee, read a second letter stating:

"The Federal Republic of Germany must resist the temptation of profit. Germany must not allow its weapons, which once destroyed our lives and extinguished the lives of our parents and grandparents, our brothers, our sisters and our children, to be used a second time against us, our children and grandchildren."

Israel's minister of finance, Yigal Cohen-Orgad [left], congratulates State of Israel Bonds Toronto general campaign chairman Alex Grossman on becoming a member of the newly formed President's Club for economic development in Israel. In background are brigadier general Yehuda Halevy [left], Bonds president and chief executive officer and David Hermalin, Bonds international campaign chairman.

President's Club told Bonds key to Israel

TORONTO —

At the inauguration conference held in Israel for the State of Israel Bonds new President's Club, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir informed delegates that the "primacy of Israel Bonds as a source of revenue ranks only behind direct taxation of the people of Israel, and the generosity of American gifts and loans."

During the closing dinner, members of the President's Club from Canada, the United States, South America, Mexico and Europe, confirmed the statement as a total of $15.7 million in Israel Bonds were subscribed to.

Under the auspices of Israeli President Chaim Herzog, the members have each agreed to individually purchase $100,000 or more in Bonds to assure the strengthening of Israel's infrastructure in the year ahead.

Special honors and recognition will be accorded for this standard setting participation in the Bond program. Each member will receive the President's Club Award which symbolically links the Twelve Tribes of ancient times with the rebirth of Israel's statehood in our day.

The members of the President's Club visited various research and development centres in Eilat and heard reviews on the condition of Israel's economy from both Shamir and Herzog.

Participants from Toronto included Chairman Alex Grossman, Jimmy Kay, David Buck, Thomas Beck, Rabbi Joseph Kelman and Leo Perkell.

Pearl Gladman given BBC post

TORONTO —

David Lieberman, national chairman of personnel for B'nai B'rith Canada, has announced the promotion of Pearl Gladman to the position of administrative assistance to the executive vice president of B'nai B'rith Canada.

In her new capacity she will be charged with the responsibility of coordinating the executive vice-president's office and administering and supervising the support staff of the BBC, the League for Human Rights of BBC, and the B'nai B'rith Foundation office.

Pearl Gladman

Until her recent promotion she was the computer data coordinator of BBC.

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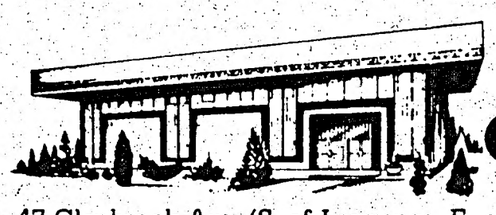

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The People

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The Event

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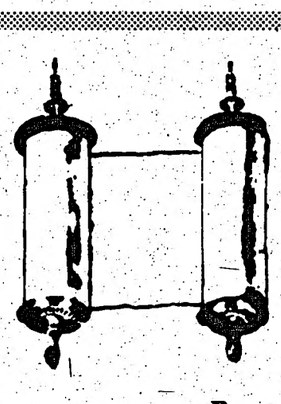
Time: Cocktails 6:00 p.m., dinner 7:00 p.m.

Place: Royal York Hotel, Toronto

Organizations and People



sparks from the torah

By
RABBI MEIR URI GOTTESMAN

Parshat Vayakhel

Holiness comes from Shabbat. Blessing comes from Shabbat.

A certain businessman in Radin used to close his store just a few minutes before Shabbat, and open it quickly at the very first faint light of the three stars after Shabbat.

He was a "maacherin lavo u'memaharin lazeit — slow to ascend into Shabbat, and quick to escape. . . ."

The Chafetz Chaim summoned him and chastised him with a parable:

A certain farmer supplied bags of grain to a wholesaler. The wholesaler used to mark down the number of bags supplied, but the farmer didn't like the system. He insisted that there be set a jar, and when each bag was brought in, a penny should be thrown in — to count.

And so it was set up. Each bag that was brought in, the farmer threw in a penny for the count, until a little heap was formed.

But the farmer couldn't control himself. When he thought no one was looking, he stole a coin or two out of the jar. The wholesaler noticed what was happening and chuckled to himself: "Let him pilfer — from whom is he stealing but himself?"

The same with you, explained the Chafetz Chaim. Where does blessing come from? Hard work? Acumen? Blessing comes from G-d, and from Shabbat that is the fountain of blessing. If you steal away a few minutes out of the Shabbat, from whom are you stealing but from yourself?

A person who sells away the Shabbat sells away his neshama.

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Some people enjoy sleeping on Shabbat. Reb Natah of Averich never slept on Shabbat, staying up the whole night to study the 24 chapters of the Tractate Shabbat, and learning the whole day.

He explained: The Emperor Napoleon never slept during the day. He argued that when he sleeps, he is not an emperor. Shabbat is called the queen, so why throw away that reign even for a while!

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But how does one reach such a madreigah, level of holiness of Shabbat?

You can't just press a button Friday afternoon and suddenly become a holy person.

Holiness has to be every day, in our homes, in our relationships, and in our business.

Consider . . . Moshe collected the Jews and commanded them to start raising donations to build the mishkan, the sanctuary. When was that gathering called?

Comments Rashi: the "vayakhel gathering" took place the day after Yom Kippur. What's the significance?

Explains the Sheerit Menachem: The Jews stood ready to donate their goods and money to build the holy sanctuary. The Al-mighty wanted to make sure that each penny was honestly made. What good was it to donate thousands to charity if the wealth was accumulated by illegal or unscrupulous means?

The day after Yom Kippur! Only after the holiest of days, when Jews repent, when they make good any theft that might be in their hands, when they consider their actions — only then could they be ready to build a sacred place.

A Jew has to be a Jew all week. In business, there has to be holiness. Not everything goes. Mercy has to surround each dollar bill — and only then can there be a truly holy Shabbat.

Shabbat Shalom.

Windsor women named to post

WINDSOR —

William Silver, president of the Windsor Jewish Community Council, announced the appointment of Sandra Kellerman and Sharon Hochberg as co-chairpersons of the Women's Division 1984 UJA Campaign.

Sandra Kellerman is a public health nursing supervisor and a consultant in rehabilitation and geriatrics at the Metro Windsor-Essex County Health Unit.

Kellerman serves as a member of a task force of the District Health Council. A board member of Congregation Beth El, she is also active in Sisterhood.

A founder of the Business and Professional Women's Division, Kellerman was co-chairperson of the 1983 Women's Division UJA Campaign.

She is married to Abraham S. Kellerman, city solicitor, City of Windsor. They are the parents of Jay, a law student at the University of Windsor, and Cheryl, a pharmacy student at the University of Toronto.

The Kellerman family has long been identified with causes related to Israel.

Hochberg is the past chairperson of the Youth Activites Committee of the Windsor Jewish Community Council, a post she held for three years.

She is past president of Congregation Beth El Sisterhood, a member of the board of directors of Congregation Beth El, and past president of Pioneer Women, Kinneret Chapter.

Hochberg is married to Ted Hochberg, Q.C., chairman of the Community Relations Committee, Windsor Jewish Community Council. They are the parents of Bryan and Stacey who are high school students.

Sandra Kellerman

Sharon Hochberg

A Jewish Visions exhibition in Vancouver features 19th century candelabra from Poland.

Judaica exhibit in Vancouver

VANCOUVER —

Antique Jewish ritual artifacts as well as Jewish art by contemporary British Columbia artists went on display here last week for an exhibition until March 4 at Beth Israel Synagogue. It's a unique, first-for-Vancouver show designed to explain the Jewish life cycle.

Highlighting the Jewish life cycle exhibit are 19th century candelabra from France, Poland, India and Morocco; wine goblets from Austria and Spain; elaborate Passover ceremonial objects and traditional wedding rings; ritual amulets from North Africa and Eastern Europe and so forth.

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Hamilton community bears a warning of doom

By
MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —

If its UJA campaign remains at the present level, UIA Canada executive vice - president Walter Hess warned the Hamilton community, "it spells doom for your community in every respect."

He was addressing the Sunday morning breakfast meeting at Temple Anshe Sholom recently which officially opened the 1984 campaign.

"If the campaign does not reach its budget of $1 million, both the Israel component of your campaign and the local community will suffer," declared Hess.

Allowing the campaign to remain at the same level it has been for a number of years "would endanger the very foundation of the community in its relationship with its own beneficiary organization as well as the State of Israel.

"I would say you have an emergency this year and we require a level of giving — in your interests as those of the State of Israel — which maybe this community has not witnessed before."

Referring to recent Jewish Agency budget cuts and the fact that UIA funds are funneled to the Jewish Agency for the two specific purposes of getting people out of distressed countries and resettling them in Israel and assisting in the social betterment of that country, Hess pointed out that many communities that were staunch supporters of UIA — Mexico and South American countries, South Africa, France and Britain — "are in serious trouble themselves and frankly and honestly, the people of Israel look to the North American continent for their salvation."

In his earlier official announcement of the $1 million target, campaign chairman David Steinberg reported that with over $400,000 reached so far in pre-campaign canvassing — an increase of over 30% — "we have made a good start."

The last two campaigns, he said, "were horrendously bad for the community, but as a result, there has been a reassessment of priorities which will in the long run be very good for the community."

In his welcoming remarks, president of the Hamilton United Jewish Welfare Fund, Dr. Irwin Fuss, noted that "the campaign promises to restore our pride. Although the trend has been reversed, it is still a long way from meeting our needs. But we have made a strong beginning."

New Hamilton Jewish Federation president Jack Brown was optimistic. "Today marks a new beginning, and I see an upward trend for the coming years."

And recently re-elected chairman of the UIA Ontario Region, Samuel Taylor, reminded the audience that "if we refuse to stand shoulder to shoulder and help our fellow Jews, we are a greater danger to the State of Israel than all its enemies."

Since it adopted the slogan Women In Our Own Right, the women's campaign has been growing from year to year, said Women's Division co-chairman Pearl Enkin, who reported that last year's campaign under Sasha Weisz, who is also her current co-chairman, "topped all previous records."

Speaking on the Prospects for Peace in the Middle East in 1984, associate director of the Canada-Israel Committee, Shira Herzog Bessin provided some well-informed background to the current situation in the Middle East.

Jack Brown, right, accepting gavel from Stanley Tick, past president of the Hamilton Jewish Federation.

Students plan solidarity day

TORONTO —

On Thursday Feb. 23 students at the University of Toronto as well as across North America and other parts of the world will be participating in International Student Solidarity Day for Soviet Jewry.

This day serves as a mass effort to signal to the Soviets that a large sector of the world's population stands in opposition to its oppressive policies and fosters a heightened awareness that should lead to continuous involvement in the cause.

At the University of Toronto, James Breithaupt (MLA Kitchener), of the Queen's Park Committee for Soviet Jewry, will be present in the Sidney Smith Lobby (100 St. George St.) to make a short statement at noon.

From 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., students will be setting up an information table, while prisoners of conscience, represented by members of the student body, will be volunteering their time in a mock prison. Passersby will be served a prisoner's daily food ration of watery cabbage soup and stale black bread.

Six years ago, in response to the arrest of Anatoly Scharansky, the Student Coalition for Soviet Jewry (SCSJ) was founded .

Every year since then, students from all over the east coast of the United States have participated in the SCSJ's Washington lobby and have turned that event into one of the largest student initiated annual activities in America.

More recently, students from other parts of North America, Canada and the world have shown their concern for the plight of Soviet Jewry, a day in February that serves as a backdrop for many Soviet Jewry activities worldwide. For more information call Karen Anthony at 923-9861.

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Organizations and People

Organization helps ease loss

Survivors' pain can be unbearable

By
LEAH BELFON

TORONTO —
The death of a child is every parent's ultimate fear.

But when fear becomes reality, it is devastating. The pain of the surviving family members is virtually unbearable. Disbelief, fear, loneliness, anger, guilt and isolation intensify the feelings of loss.

Parents and their surviving children are desperately in need of help when the worst happens.

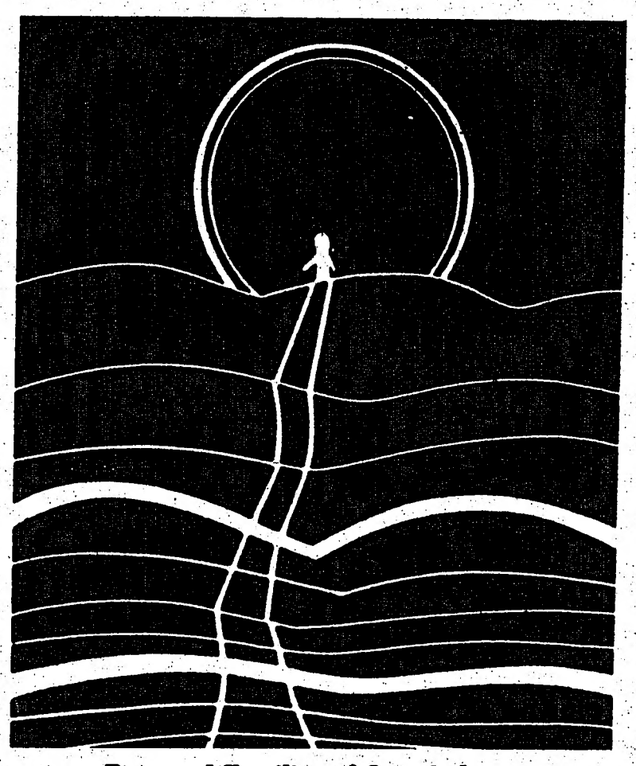
Since 1977, The Bereaved Families of Ontario has offered educational and counseling services to families who have lost a child through death. The association was formed by bereaved parents to share their insights with other grieving families and lend support to them as they struggle to restore a balance to their lives.

Margaret Darte is one of the organization's founders. She is a former chaplain at the Hospital for Sick Children and a bereaved parent herself. Irene Clarfield, who serves as chairman of the association, has also lost a child.

In a recent interview, Darte and Clarfield discussed the work of The Bereaved Families of Ontario with The CJN.

"The organization is completely non sectarian," said Darte. "We do not preach theology or religion, but focus on helping families cope with the reality of their loss and return to the mainstream of life.

"We have found that the group approach has been most effective in developing the mutual support system on which The Bereaved Families of Ontario is based. After an initial 2-hour consultation with a counselor, family members are assigned to groups, which meet for 12 weeks.



Bereaved Families of Ontario logo.

"All group leaders are volunteers — bereaved parents themselves — who have received the special training required for their sensitive role. Mental health professionals sit on The Bereaved Families of Ontario advisory board; they serve as a resource in helping the more than 400 families currently involved."

Clarfield said: "Unfortunately it is a misconception that spouses can support one another adequately when a child dies. Even the best marriage is strained. That is why men, women and siblings attend separate group sessions.

"Often in dealing with their grief spouses have to say things about one another that could harm the marriage if they were made known to the partner. But these things have to be expressed, and separate groups for husbands and wives provide the required setting."

The siblings' groups, which started recently, are coed. Margaret Darte spoke of the importance of parents understanding the needs of the surviving children:

"Often parents do not have the energy to give their children the emotional support they must have at this time. In the face of the intense grief for the child who has died, it is not unusual for the remaining children to feel less loved. Our groups help parents understand how precious their surviving children are — and how to express it."

Siblings are sometimes regarded as secondary mourners while attention is focused on the grieving parents. But the young people must also work through their grief. If they have no outlet for their feelings, later on their school work may suffer, or they may experience depression and mood swings. The siblings' group draws them out and starts the healing process.

When the group sessions end, families maintain contact with the association by attending informal gatherings, drop-in lunches and evenings where specialists offer support.

"Anyone can participate in our programs free of charge," said Clarfield. We receive some government and corporate funding, and actively seek contributions from the public in order to maintain our offices.

"We want people to know that no matter how their child died, they are welcome here. For example, the parents of a child who committed suicide carry a tremendous burden of guilt. We negate that guilt immediately."

Darte, a believing Christian, shared her thoughts on the Jewish custom of sitting shiva:

"I am impressed with how the shiva period allows the bereaved to confront their grief and share it with their family and friends. The memorial services throughout the year (Yizkor) serve the same purpose. This cannot but help bring people closer."

Clarfield added: "When our son died, the pain was indescribable. But the fact that our extended family and friends gathered round, that three times a day a minyan gathered at our house to pray, made us realize that we were not alone. We drew strength from those who came both to suffer with us and to comfort us."

The main office of The Bereaved Families of Ontario is located at 214 Merton St., Suite 305, Toronto, M4S 1A6, (416) 481-3389. There is a branch office in Oakville at 235 Church St., Oakville, L6J 1N4, (416) 842-3012.

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The Assessment Roll has now been delivered to your municipality for the purposes of calculating the amount of taxes you must pay on your property in 1984. For information on your assessment, the Assessment Roll is now available for review at your Municipal Office during regular business hours. If you feel your property has been improperly assessed, and you have not yet made your appeal known, you still have until March 7 to deliver or mail an appeal to the Assessment Review Board. ***And remember, even if you did not receive a Notice of Assessment, you still have the right to appeal.***

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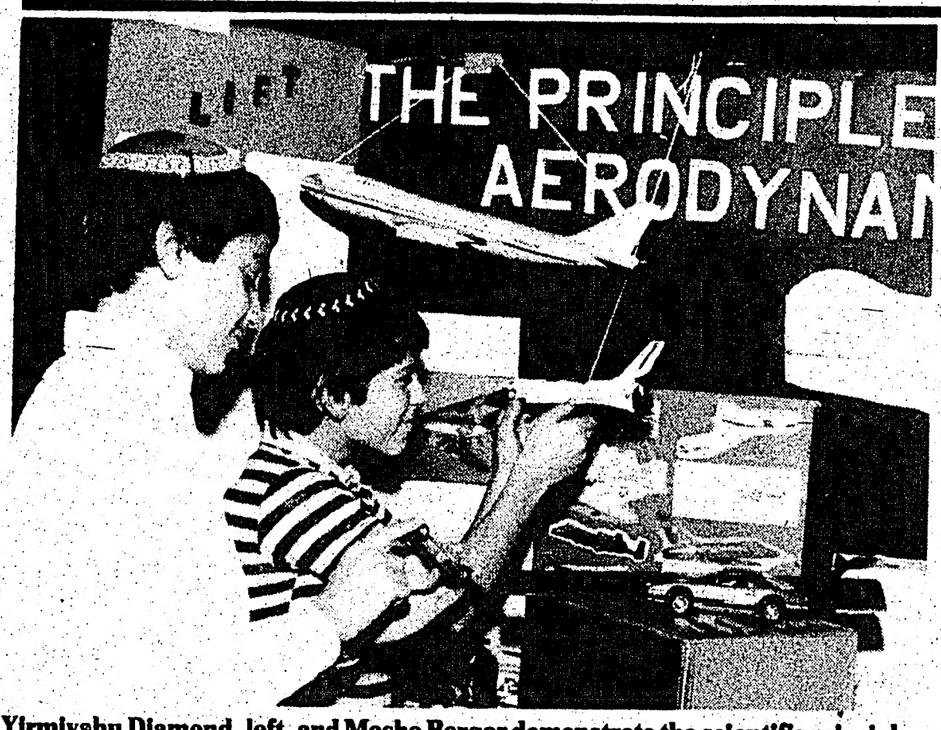

Yirmiyahu Diamond, left, and Moshe Berger demonstrate the scientific principles of flight and air flow at one of the more than 80 display booths at Eitz Chaim's bi-annual junior high Science Fair.

Student knows exactly when to turn the worm

Can a worm learn?

If you ask Eli Rachlin, the answer is a definite "Yes." The grade 8 student at Eitz Chaim Schools worked in his spare time conditioning his tiny flat worms, and in a few weeks he taught them to turn right instead of left in a T-shaped maze.

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Eli's project was among the more than 80 exhibited at this year's Eitz Chaim Science Fair, held February 6 at the school. Junior high students spent three months turning their ideas into projects on topics ranging from hot air balloons to kitchen chemistry.

Some students took up classical topics of science, such as Archimedes' principle and how astronomy governs our calendar, while others demonstrated the very latest practical applications of science, such as aerodynamics and how to convert garbage into energy.

One student constructed a model house complete with automatic garage door opener, while another project, on volcanoes and earthquakes, featured a volcanic eruption that looked more real than simulated.

Each exhibitor maintained a logbook detailing research and experiments in support of the project. The five visiting scientists who served as judges checked each display and its logbook and questioned the students to test their comprehension of the scientific principles.

One of the judges, Dr. Gabor Kunstadter, a theoretical physicist, questioned a grade 9 girl on her topic, Why Apples Turn Brown. When he was through he exclaimed, "I really learned something!"

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Anti-semitism looms darkly

By CAROLYN BLACKMAN

TORONTO — Anti-semitism is a problem that is threatening the well-being of our society, says the chairman of the Ontario Human Rights Commission.

"Over the last year and a half in particular, on both a national and international scale, the issue of anti-semitism has loomed darkly, and it is essential that we deal with it," Canon Borden Purcell said at a recent Brotherhood breakfast meeting at Beth Sholom Synagogue.

He said that merely studying the problem of anti-semitism is not enough. "We must apply the principles of our study and translate our thoughts into acts."

Purcell, an Anglican priest, said that the present Human Rights Code is more than just a legal statue and if broken "There is a tear in the fabric of human rights."

"There is an ongoing need to educate people regarding the spirit as well as the letter of the code," he said.

Purcell noted that the Human Rights Commission is in constant liaison with businesses, schools, unions and the media in order to educate people as to their rights and responsibilities as citizens.

"Anti-semitism is a scourge whose total eradication has been one of my lifelong objectives," Purcell said.

He recalled that during the 1940s there were signs in front of Kew Beach in Toronto stating No Jews and Dogs Allowed and that in 1933 there was a riot at Christie Pits when a "gang of goons" attacked a Jewish baseball team.

Purcell said that anti-semitism is not manifested as strongly in Canada today, but there are many anti-Zionist incidents such as graffiti, vandalism, telephone threats and hate literature.

"We all must be aware however, that for the most part, anti-Zionism is anti-semitism," he said.

Purcell warned that "more Keegstras will pop up unless people start to act. It is the duty of all of us to speak up and speak out for our rights."

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With the recent Top Gifts campaign launch, the person-to-person contact in this division is well underway, and the campaign leadership is expecting to hear the results of these negotiations as people return to town.

Kicking off activities in the Business & Professions Division, the Young Businessmen's Co-Chairmen **Richard Cooper** and **Norman Glowinsky**, with their wives **Clara** and **Lillian**, co-hosted a very successful cocktail party at the Cooper residence to personally thank all group members for their efforts in '83, and to obtain new commitments to participate in 1984. Guests with their wives included: **Paul Slavens, Harold Hillman, Stan Grossman, Sam Minuk, Edward Bekhor, Steve Latner, Jerold Winter, Jeremy Freeman, George Bassin, Herman Wood, Abe Glowinsky, Ruby Osten, Nathan Lindenberg, Marshall Cohen, David Wolinsky, Bill Minuk, Tom Schwartz and Joseph Mimran.** Other guests included: **Terry Green, Dr. Marvin Cooper, Mrs. David Eisenstadt, Elliot Eisen, Wendy Litwack, Fred Green, and Mrs. Esther Davidson, Sydney and Florence Cooper, Mr. & Mrs. Murray Levinter, Stan Vine,** and **Fred Karp.**

We extend our sincere appreciation to these young leaders who are demonstrating outstanding support for the new Baycrest Hospital.

In the Construction Division, **Harold Lederman,** ably assisted by co-chairmen **Gerald Goldenberg** and **Hy Shore** held a breakfast meeting to urge all present to concentrate their efforts on completing their cards in the next four weeks. Enthusiastic canvassers included **Harvey Adelman, Jack Chisvin, Beverley Colman, Peter Fisher, Dorothy Gordon, and Robert Ziner with Murray Levinter,** ex-officio.

More news from the Business & Professions Division comes from the Insurance Group who officially launched their drive at a recent luncheon hosted by Co-chairman **Bunny Bergstein.** Team captains and canvassers were: **Buddy Dick, Al Green, Mel Gilbert** and **Betty Cohen.** With pacesetting gifts already in from Confederation Life, Sun Life, Manufactureres Life, and Canada Life, Insurance Division canvassers are teaming together to challenge the remaining insurance companies to match these gifts.

And under the leadership of **Drs. Murray Herst** and **Coleman Solursh,** the Doctor's Division is reportedly gaining momentum with support from **Dr. Sam Rubenzahl, Dr. Michael Gilman, Dr. Mel Goldberg,** and Baycrest Medical Director, **Dr. Cyril Gryfe.**

Congratulations to two outstanding chairmen who deserve joint recognition of "Chairman of the Week." **Marvin Wenger** — Jewellery, and **Barry Cracower** — Furniture, have both been responsible for really making things happen. They have made an excellent start for 1984.

In the Service Groups, **Marvin Geist,** Deputy Co-chairman, addressed an executive meeting of the MSG highlighting canvasser techniques. And at a later meeting, cards were assigned, and new canvassers **Barry Edson** and **Ernie Roll** were welcomed.

Women's Auxiliary members met recently to discuss their future campaign events and assign cards. Among those present were: **Susan Adams, Helen Marr, Evelyn Bernstein, Esther Davidson, Faye Estrin, Florence Kizell, Ethyle Levine and Betty Lucatch.**

Two very special notes of interest: **Firstly, as a result of the fine efforts of Sam Carr, representing the United JPO, and Max and Sophie Mandel, from the New Fraternal Jewish Association, the Baycrest campaign challenges all other organizations to match the gifts of these associations, and ensure that all members contribute to the new Baycrest Hospital.**

In closing, we want to recognize a very special group — the Baycrest Hospital Patients' Advisory Council, who, under the leadership of Chairperson **Zelda Wagman,** has contributed substantially as a result of their Crafts and Plants Sale and Swimathon. Their effort inspires all of us to continue working on behalf of the present and future patients of Baycrest.

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SAT., FEB. 25, 12 noon, following Services - **SHABBAT STUDY LUNCHEON.** Guest speaker: **Mr. Victor Topper.** Topic: **Art In Judaism.**

TUES., FEB. 28, 1:15 p.m. - **FRIENDSHIP CLUB PLUS 50. Dance Baroque-Lecture Performance.** Guests: **Elaine Biagi Turner** and **Karen Belyea.** Everyone welcome! Refreshments served. Non-members $1.50.

TUES., MARCH 6, 12:15 p.m. - **FRIENDSHIP CLUB PLUS 50. Musicale Luncheon** with "Mila and Friends", singers. Reservations required. Phone 781–3511. Everyone welcome! Cost $5.00.

SUN., MARCH 11, 11 a.m. - at **MEN'S CLUB BREAKFAST** a provocative film on **Inter-Dating** will be shown in the Mezzanine Hall, followed by a Panel featuring members of our senior U.S.Y. Group as well as adults.

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Rasky unveils wilderness history book

TORONTO —

Author Frank Rasky, a feature writer for The Canadian Jewish News, launched a new book in a unique space-age ceremony last week at the Parliament Buildings in Queen's Park.

The book is titled Industry In The Wilderness: The People, the Buildings, the Machines — Heritage in Northwest Ontario.

Rasky presented it at a video-conferenced press reception to Susan Fish, Ontario's minister of citizenship and culture, and Leo Bernier, minister of northern affairs.

Both ministries commissioned him to write the book, which is a popular history of the bush pilots, gold seekers, lumberjacks, sursurveyors, railroaders, hydro and pulp-and-paper men and other industrial pioneers who blazed trails in the bush country of northwest Ontario.

While he presented the first copies to the government ministers in Toronto, several of the pioneers he mentioned in the book were in Thunder Bay, linked to the ceremony by a satellite-fed video-teleconferencing hookup.

Members of the media in both cities were thus able to interview Rasky and the pioneers during the satellite book launch.

Published by Dundurn Press and available at such Canadiana book shops as the Longhouse Book Store on Yonge St., the 128-page, $9.95 book is chock full of historic and contemporary photos and colorful stories told by the pioneers in their own words.

Fish told reporters she found both entertaining and informative the book's "wonderful array of rare, archival pictures which complement the lively and thoughtful text." Since it told the story of the opening of the bush country north of Lake Superior as seen through the eyes of Ukrainians, Poles, Finns, Indians and other ethnic groups, she said it was a "mirror in which the people of the region can see themselves reflected proudly."

Bernier said the book was a "treasure house that preserved and revealed the rich heritage all northerners can be proud of. It is fitting that in our province's bicentennial year, we pay tribute to these strong-willed trail-blazers who helped build Ontario."

Rasky, the author of The Taming Of The Canadian West and The North Pole Or Bust, said the most flamboyant character he interviewed for this book was Eugenia [Granmaw Jean] Campbell, the 73-year-old widow of the discoverer of the fabulously rich Red Lake Gold Mine. He cited two of her witticisms:

"You want to know my definition of a gold mine town in the bush country? A place where everybody knows whose check is good and whose husband is bad. And you know why I've never taken a married man as a lover? I don't believe in prospecting ground already staked, because you can't record the claim in your own name."

Rasky is presently compiling for The CJN's March 8 Nostalgia Anniversary Supplement stories by Jewish oldsters about their experience in the Jewish communities of Toronto and other Ontario towns. Readers are encouraged to telephone him at [416] 481-6434.

Frank Rasky, centre, presents copies of his new book on pioneers of Ontario's northwest to Susan Fish, Ontario minister of citizenship and culture, and Leo Bernier, minister of northern affairs, at unique satellite book launch at Queen's Park. [Graphic Artists photo]

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Wolinsky lectures planned

TORONTO —

Women and Judaism will be the subject of this year's Leonard Wolinsky Lectures on Jewish Life and Education, a series co-sponsored by York University and the Toronto Board of Jewish Education.

The University sponsorship is under the auspices of its faculty of arts program in religious studies and its faculty of education Judaic studies option.

The lectures will be held March 4 - 8 at the university and in the community with the inaugural lecture of the series presented Sunday, March 4, at 8.15 p.m., at Temple Sinai, 210 Wilson Avenue, by Norma Baumel Joseph, of Concordia University, Montreal.

Joseph, a graduate of Brooklyn College and the City University of New York has published articles on Jewish feminist issues in a variety of magazines and anthologies.

She will also lecture at York (Steeles Campus), in Curtis Lecture Hall B, on Monday, March 5, at 2 p.m. Her theme will be A Feminist Hermeneutic of the Bible.

On Tuesday, March 6, at 1 p.m., Dr. Rela Geffen-Monson, professor of sociology, Gratz College, Philadelphia, will speak on The Impact of Feminism on Jewish University Students. Her talk will be held in Room 119, Vanier College.

Tuesday evening, at 8.15 p.m., she will analyze Changing Gender Roles in a Changing Society: Issues Confronting the Jewish Family in the 1980's. Her lecture will be given in the auditorium of Council House, 4700 Bathurst Street.

Dr. Anita Norich, assistant professor of Comparative Literature, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, will complete the Wolinsky series. On Wednesday, March 7, at 8.15 p.m., she will discuss The Women of Isaac Bashevis Singer. Her presentation will be offered at the Conference Centre of the Lipa Green Jewish Community Services Building, 4th Floor.

On Thursday, March 8, at 10 a.m., in Room 322, Bethune College, Norich will examine: Portraits of the Jewish Family in 19th Century English Novels.

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Film portrays emotional isolation of old women

By
CYNTHIA GASNER

But it is Auntie Rose who brings a healthy dose of Jewish humor to bear on the plight of elderly women who treasure their independence.

TORONTO —
All of Our Lives is a film about old women.

Eleven older women, including 85-year-old "Auntie" Rose Nepom, honored last October as a Woman of Achievement by the Toronto Women's Division of the Shaare Zedek Hospital Foundation, speak to us of their romantic girlhood dreams — dreams that contrast with the reality of their adult lives and the hardships of their old age.

The half-hour documentary film, previewed recently at the St. Lawrence Centre, intertwines nostalgic archival films with personal interviews. It depicts the emotional isolation and economic hardships faced by these women and analyzes their alternatives.

Producers Laura Sky and Helene Klodawsky have infused the film with humor and hope. The women interviewed confirm that there are alternatives available to older women who search for ways to resolve real problems.

As Yvonne Obonsawin, a 64-year-old wife and mother from Sudbury, explains: "I was told as a young girl that to be useful, I should learn to scrub the floors and wash dishes."

Looking back at her youth, her marriage and the "invisible world of child-rearing and domestic work" she says, "for 44 years I worked in the home. I will never get a pension for that. You cannot fight this battle alone and you have to get out of that isolation. Like I wasn't much of a fighter young, but I can still be a fighter today."

Joyce Lee, 54, a Collingwood divorcee, tells how society looks at older women: "I get angry at society that says old women are not worth anything. I have gray hair and lines on my face from my life. I lived. Am I less attractive than a 55-year-old man? Suddenly they get better and I get worse and I don't like that."

Helen Folke, who is about to celebrate her 80th birthday, describes her loneliness after her husband died and her joy in finding Hilda Pritchard with whom she shares an apartment and friendship.

"I think after I lost my husband there was that sense of being alone, and having to establish myself as a single person, which to me was the hardest thing I've ever done.

"And the one pronoun that bothered me most was "we." No longer was there any "we." It was "I" and that was very difficult. and then when Hilda and I decided to live together here was the "we" feeling back, and it was so good."

A young couple whom she met in the Catskills try to make a shidduch (match) for her.

"So they said, 'I've got a very nice man, he's very comfortable, he's nice . . .' I says, has he got a lot of money? . . . Alright, let him give me the money, let him stay where he is, and I stay where I am."

Some of these women have found new friends and received help at Pensioners Concerned, an organization formed to let government and individuals in the community know the needs of older people.

Sly and Klodawsky received funding for the film from Health and Welfare Canada, The Samuel and Saidye Bronfman Family Foundation, the Richard Ivy Foundation and the Seniors Secretariat For Social Development.

All Of Our Lives is an investigative documentary that is available for discussion groups. Write to the National Film Board, 1 Lombard St., Toronto, or call their film library, 369-4092.

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Arts

A vast, complex Russia

Author reveals high ideals of revolution have faded

books

By BERNARD BASKIN

Russia, Broken Idols, Solemn Dreams by David K. Shipler. Fitzhenry & Whiteside $24.50.

In 1939, Winston Churchill confided, "Russia is a riddle wrapped in a mystery inside an enigma." This is no longer true as perceptive reporters provide voluminous information about this giant, many-sided nation.

As New York Times correspondent in Russia [1975-79] David Shipler met all kinds of people — women in food lines, children and teachers in classrooms, diplomats and government officials and a variety of dissenters. All of these, and many others, are part of this intimate portrait of a country at a crucial point in its relationship with the West.

He reports that the high ideals and brave hopes of the Revolution have faded. Instead there has developed a powerful, emotional nationalism. Creative persons "who have suffered imprisonment for speaking and writing against injustices are still so emotionally bound to their country that they struggle to stay.

When the state seeks to uproot them and exile them to the West, they resist... They know that the West can be an exile spiritually more trying for them than the physical hardships of exile in Siberia."

Russia has become a land without heroes. Cynicism is widespread, corruption is endemic, crime is rampant, the family is disintegrating and alcoholism is a national problem.

Higher authorities probably do not know the full extent of juvenile crime. "As a society that thrives on good news, the Soviet Union is organized to discourage negative reporting. Hierarchy works on the same instincts as every army, where no subordinate is anxious to tell his superiors about problems."

Alcohol is the national indulgence, despite the relatively high price the state charges. "The best vodka runs the equivalent of over $15 a litre, which is more than a day's work at the average industrial wage. Cognac is higher, and wine not much cheaper. Yet no Russian table, at home or in a restaurant, looks like fun unless it is littered with bottles and awash in alcoholic conviviality."

Family disruption, and the severe alienation between children and parents are of immense concern for Soviet psychologists and sociologists. A study of students at an Estonian University found 75% feeling that they had unsatisfactory relationships with their fathers, and 60% with their mothers. Only 10% said they felt they had real emotional contact with their parents.

The period of Andropov's rule — after Shipler's time — has resulted in the denial of exit visas to all but a handful of Jews and strong efforts to discourage and inhibit Jews from applying to emigrate.

An alarming hate campaign is underway using Zionism as the ostensible target and portraying Jews as potential traitors to the Soviet motherland. Jewish immigration last year from the USSR totaled only 1,284, less than half the 1982 total and the lowest annual figure since records have been kept of the Soviet Jewry emigration, which dates from 1965.

The author reports on ugly, and often strange, evidences of anti-Semitism. "Mimeographed pamphlets signed Russian Liberation Movement were distributed in apartment houses charging that control of the politburo has been seized by Zionists and that the chief of all Zionists was Brezhnev himself.

Since duplicating facilities are strictly controlled and unavailable privately, it was assumed that the pamphlet and letter were done by people with official connections."

Yet, despite all of his strictures, the author of this lucid and absorbing study is quick to emphasize that his subject is vast and complex and that definitive answers are probably wrong and misguided.

Exhibit triggers vivid reactions

By HILARY HORLOCK

TORONTO —

Not for the faint of heart is the best way to describe the Human Touch exhibit now on display at the Koffler Gallery. It is not an exhibit that will please all, but it is sure to excite vivid reactions among all who are interested in art.

Raw Art is the vivid term used to describe the pieces hung in the exhibit, and it is an apt description. Gallery director Jane Mahut admits it was a difficult show to hang, because much of the art clashes and it seems as though "everyone is shouting from the wall at once."

The viewer is reminded of the 60s and the angry, vividly expressionist art which arose from those turbulent years. Fluorescent greens and purples practically shout from the walls.

Exhibit curator John Boyle says of the exhibition, "there is a common thread of a deep concern for the human condition, for the human body and for justice in life." It is, he says, "a desire to shock the viewer into new ways of seeing."

Of note are the sculptures by Christian Leroy, arresting in their simplicity, like Les Mineurs, or almost whimsical in their irreverance, as in Les Trois Grasses. The more you gaze at Leroy's work the more you see, and what once appeared simple becomes quite complex.

The works by Michel Jamsin are in a totally different vein, dramatizing the "mediocre literature of the grand passion." These pictures are both humourous and works of serious art at the same time, because, despite the theatrics and ingenuousness of the lines, "the emotions are there beneath it all, ready to burst forth."

Running concurrently in the Loggia is an exhibit of raku works by Attila Keszei. Raku is an ancient Japanese firing process which melts the glaze on the pottery and then rapidly cools it to cause a shrinking effect, resulting in the cracked quality of the glaze.

Keszei is a master of his craft, producing works which gain both character and definition in the process of raku. His intricate detail and choice of beautiful glazes combine to produce works whose realism is arresting. "Sculpture," says Keszei, "must speak to the mind," which perhaps explains his choice of biblical scenes and fables as a form of expression.

The Keszei exhibit will remain on display in the Loggia until Feb. 26, and the Touche Humaine exhibition continues to Feb. 29. Phone the gallery at 636-2145 for viewing hours.

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A host of international and Israeli performers and companies will appear at the annual festival. Performances will take place in Jerusalem's magnificent open-air Sultan's Pool amphitheatre in the valley beneath the floodlit Old City walls, in the courtyard of David's Citadel, at the theatre on Mount Scopus with its stunning open-air view of the desert and the Dead Sea 7,000 feet below, and at the city's ultramodern theatres and concert halls.

Beyond the actual performances will be a host of attractions in the streets of downtown Jerusalem: clowns, acrobats, mimes, parades and street-theatre.

Other scheduled events include Munich's Tolzer Knaben Choir performing the Shabbat Cantata and The Ten Plagues, the Momix Dance Theatre from the U.S., Spain's La Cuadra de Seville theatre company, violinist Ivry Gitlis and pianist Martha Argerich, and the 1928 Russian silent film New Babylon, accompanied by a full orchestra playing the Shostokovich score.

Additionally, there will be performances by musicians, dance and theatre companies from Israel, Spain, Scotland, Japan, Poland, Italy, England, Denmark, South Africa and the United States.

Full details on the Israel Festival may be obtained from the Israel Government Tourist Office, 180 Bloor Street West, Toronto, Ontario M5S 2V6.

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Henryk Szeryng, Mexican Jewry's most outstanding cultural figure and hailed by Time magazine as "one of the world's top-ranking violinists," makes his Roy Thomson Hall debut on Sunday, Feb. 26 at 2 p.m. as part of the Roy Thomson Hall Presents' violin series. Szeryng, assisted by pianist Charles Reiner, will perform music by Brahms, Bach, Bartok, Paderewski, Sarasate and Halffter.

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The song, or aria, is the essence of musical theatre, be it opera or avant-garde. Had Comus Music Theatre's Nightbloom, the Sean Mulcahy - Canadian Electronic Music Ensemble collaboration, directed by Billie Bridgman, currently playing at Harbourfront Premiere Dance Theatre, remembered this basic principle, it would have been a far more memorable show as opposed to what it is now: an interesting experiment.

The idea of adapting James Joyce's Ulysses to musical theatre is long overdue. Here is the greatest raw potential for dynamic surreal theatricality.

But this potential is only realized in the Nighttown brothel sequences, which, after all, appeared in play form in the original Joyce novel.

Only here are there songs and ditties as opposed to mere recitative, which is meant to connect songs, not to substitute for them.

Amorphous recitative prevails throughout the rest of the 90-minute uninterrupted show. As a result, countless opportunities for innovative drama and pathos, based upon the stream-of-consciousness fantasy, are missed: especially in the Stephen Daedelus sequences which are literary instead of dramatic.

The cast worked admirably in overcoming the adaptation's dramatic weaknesses. Don McManus successfully portrayed a stolid but inner-hurting Bloom. Claire Rodger's interpretation of flirtatious Molly was that of subtle understatement in contrast to the caricature-spoofs of the night ladies: the most distinctive being that of Athena Voyatzis.

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A healthy cross-section of Toronto's thriving commercial showbiz scene showed up to greet the opening of B's at Zeev's at the Eaton Centre on Jan. 31. CITY-TV's Jeannie Beker gave prime coverage to the debut of what may well become Toronto's version of Sardi's.

Israeli painter combines modern and biblical art

TORONTO — Light filtering through the stained glass of the Ardon windows will fall on the thousands of students, researchers and visitors who pass through the halls of the Jewish National and University Library on the Givat Ram campus of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

But Torontonians can see a replica of the triptych at the Atelier Lucacs from Feb. 28 to March 20.

Mordecai Ardon is a leading Israeli painter whose work combines elements of modern art originating in his studies at the Bauhaus under Klee, Kandinsky and Feininger with themes and symbols drawn from the Bible, the Book of Zohar and other traditional Jewish sources.

To finance the execution of the windows, he has produced a limited edition of 150 reduced scale models which, in Toronto, are being sold through the Atelier Lucacs.

The left panel of the triptych represents the ascent of the nations to Jerusalem; the right, "They shall beat their swords into ploughshares," from the prophecy of Isaiah; and in the centre, the walls of Jerusalem.

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Arts

The Frantics manager likes where she's at in her life

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO — Barbara Fogler doesn't want any part of show business, except the front office. She doesn't want to act, sing, dance, write, or anything else that will put her in the spotlight. As the manager for The Frantics, a comedy foursome with a large and growing following, she is just where she wants to be.

Barb, who is 25, describes herself as a person with the most traditional of backgrounds, and the most untraditional of jobs.

The daughter of Mendel and Eleanor Sharf, she was raised in Forest Hill Village, and attended Forest Hill Collegiate and York University. (Her father is president of Bayview Summit Development Ltd.) Last July she married Gary Fogler, of Toronto, a lawyer articling with Stikeman, Elliott, Robarts and Bowman.

When she graduated in English and Communications from York University, she made the traditional trip to Europe.

"I always knew where I wanted to be, and that was in the business end of the entertainment industry," she told The CJN. "When I got back from Europe I noticed a small ad for a part-time promotion and administrative position with a small theatre company." That was how Barb got her foothold in the business, a job with Solar Stage, and where she first met The Frantics, a group she describes as a "multi-talented, frighteningly capable writing machine."

The Frantics opened a new stage show recently at Toronto Free Theatre titled, IDEAS THAT COME TO YOU IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT SO YOU GET UP AND WRITE THEM DOWN, BUT CAN'T MAKE HEAD NOR TAIL OF THEM IN THE MORNING.

The Frantics ham it up for photographers.

The Frantics, Paul Chato, Rick Green, Dan Redican and Peter Wildman, don't do their work in bars or attic garrets — they have a swish layout, the first floor of a Cabbagetown house, including a computer which is now being programmed with more than 1,000 skits they have written. It includes a conference room where they do their writing and an impressive office for Barb where she handles all their business affairs.

It is Barb who signs their salary checks.

"We just found each other," she said. "They needed a fulltime manager, but they really weren't looking for anyone. They trusted me from the beginning and I trusted them. We're kindred spirits."

So Barb went from Solar Stage to The Frantics, without any episode of pavement pounding in between. "I knew from the show they put on at Solar Stage, and from their Saturday morning CBC radio show (11.30 a.m., CBL-AM) that they were no flash in the pan."

Barb says she's not too proud to seek advice from accountants and lawyers (usually her husband on the law side).

She diplomatically put aside a question about how big a budget she administers. "Just say it's a lot of money . . . you'd be surprised."

In addition to their radio and stage work, The Frantics are readying a TV show and an album. Five years down the road, Barb expects to be involved in a Frantics movie and Frantics books, or as she puts it, "a Frantics industry."

There is another nontraditional side to Barb Fogler. Each day she rides horseback for at least two hours, heading from Cabbagetown up to the Leachcroft Stables on Highway 7, where her own horse, a 4-year-old thoroughbred, "Kindred Spirit," is waiting.

She also owns a second horse, stabled at King City.

"By the time I get back to our downtown apartment (Bloor and Sherbourne) it's 8 o'clock and my husband has just come home from his law office, so we can have dinner together."

She rides in all seasons, night and day, indoors in an arena, when necessary. "My day just wouldn't be complete without it," she said.

Barb's younger sister, Karen Sharf, is taking a more traditional route into show business — she's studying drama.

Novelist switches writing locales

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO — Matt Cohen, the award-winning Canadian novelist, has left rural Ontario behind him and entered the world of pre-Inquisition Spain.

"I'm finished writing about rural Canada," he said over a double capuccino in a Yorkville cafe one recent afternoon. "I said what I've had to say."

Now a boyish 41, Cohen established his reputation by producing what critics usually refer to as the Salem Quartet — The Disinherited [1974], The Colors of War [1977], The Sweet Second Summer of Kitty Malone [1980] and Flowers of Darkness [1981].

Cohen, having moved to the country 14 years ago, chronicled Protestant life around the rich farmlands north of Kingston in his 4-novel cycle.

Asked why he spent almost a decade plumbing the depths of country folk, Cohen said: "I lived on a farm and, having watched a way of life being destroyed by modern urban society, I thought there was a story to be told."

Born in Kingston, but raised in Ottawa, Cohen left the city two years before the publication of Columbus and the Fat Lady, a 1972 collection of short stories. "Living in Toronto was too difficult and distracting when I started to write, so the farm (in Verona, Ont.) was perfect, since it took me away from the expensive, hot-house atmosphere of the literary explosion that was then taking place there. It was cheap living in the country, too. I couldn't have continued writing otherwise."

Although Cohen's "rest cure" worked, enabling him to churn out an avalanche of novels and short stories, he now divides his time between Toronto and his cabin in Verona, which he shares with his wife.

Cohen, just having published Cafe Le Dog [McClelland & Stewart, $16.96], recently completed his first novel with a Jewish theme. Scheduled to be published in the autumn, The Jewish Doctor is set in medieval Spain and turns on one central character, Avraham Halevi.

Describing himself as an assimilated Jew, Cohen said he chose Spain as a locale partly because Western Europe has been exhausted by other writers, and partly because a great Jewish civilization developed in the Iberian peninsula.

To research The Jewish Doctor, he traveled to Spain, France and Italy, and read extensively on Jewish history.

Cohen, who said he is financially "comfortable," is presently supplementing his income by adapting two of his novels — The Sweet Summer of Kitty Malone and The Colours of War — for radio and film, respectively.

Cohen, who once thought of being a university professor, plans to write two more novels in the years ahead. One, he disclosed, will be a "contemporary" novel. A second will be historical, possibly with a Jewish theme or character.

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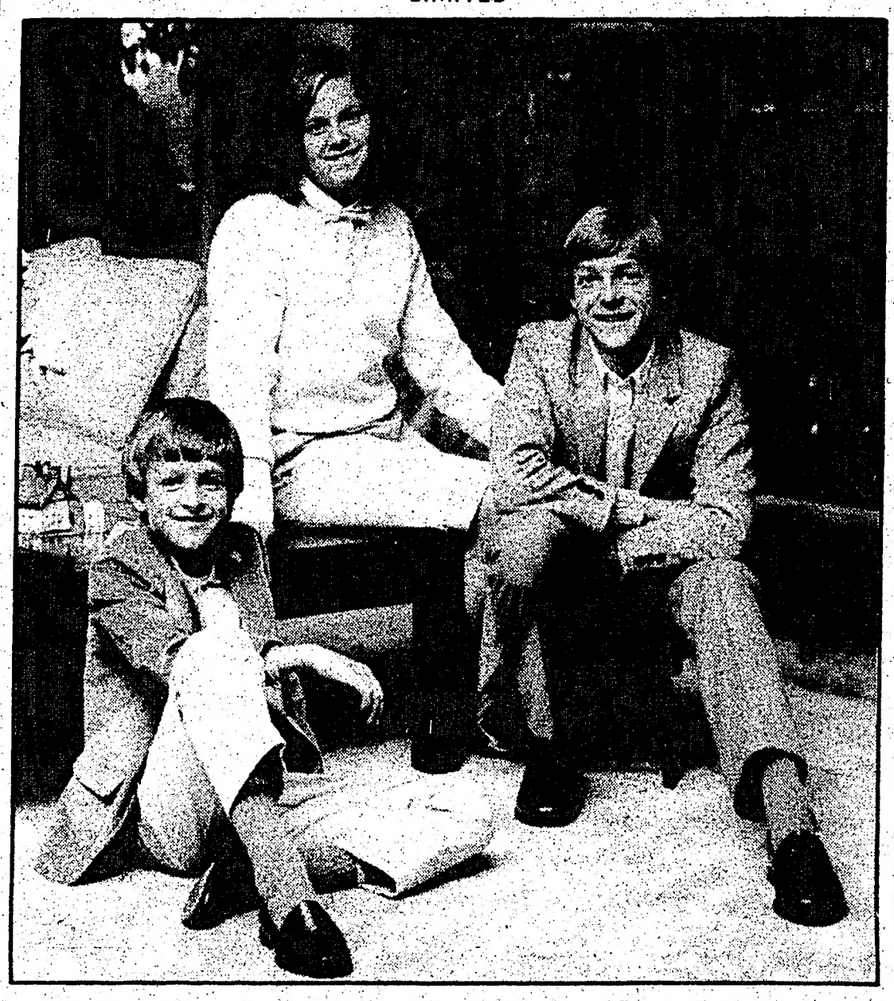

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Gallery Plus opens in North York

Couple switches fertilizer for frames in new art gallery

By
GARY COHEN

TORONTO —

An art gallery located in the northern tip of the city run by a director and artistic consultant who are both former farmers.

Sounds preposterous, but it's true. The whole thing becomes a lot easier to swallow if you pay a visit to Gallery Plus, an impressive, spacious new art house which opened two months ago in North York.

The gallery, which will have its official "gala opening" Feb. 26, is definitely something of a rare specimen from the office out.

Consultant Heather Green-Pascal, a sophisticated, 30ish woman in a smart navy blue suit, doesn't even faintly smack of fertilizer, overalls or earthiness. But up until about five years ago, she and husband Robert Pascal, the gallery's director, owned and worked their own farm just north of Guelph.

Pascal had gone to study agriculture at the University of Guelph in the early 70s and Green-Pascal, a native Torontonian, followed him (they weren't yet married) and herself majored in fine arts at the U of G. After leaving university in 1976, the couple bought their own spread and "farmed exclusively for two years — I used to take produce to market, if you can picture that."

While Green-Pascal continued to work for her own pleasure as an artist (some of her silkscreens hang in the gallery), she says, "I loved farming and wouldn't have left it."

As it so happened, however, Green-Pascal's mother-in-law, the long-time owner of Gallery Pascal on Dundas St., fell ill and needed help in running her business. Green-Pascal, a student of art, and her husband, who "grew up with art galleries," were naturals to step in.

When after some 20 years in operation, Gallery Pascal closed November, the idea for Gallery Plus was hatched.

The main similarity between the galleries, Green-Pascal observes, is the emphasis placed on original limited edition prints. Whether dealing with corporate or private clients, Green-Pascal says she stresses that original prints (silkscreens, lithographs — not paintings that have merely been copied, but original images that are reproduced in limited numbers) "have the same potential for appreciating in value as watercolors or oil paintings."

And because the prints are reproduced several times it also keeps their price down, Green-Pascal says, lending credence to her claim that "you don't have to spend thousands for good, original work."

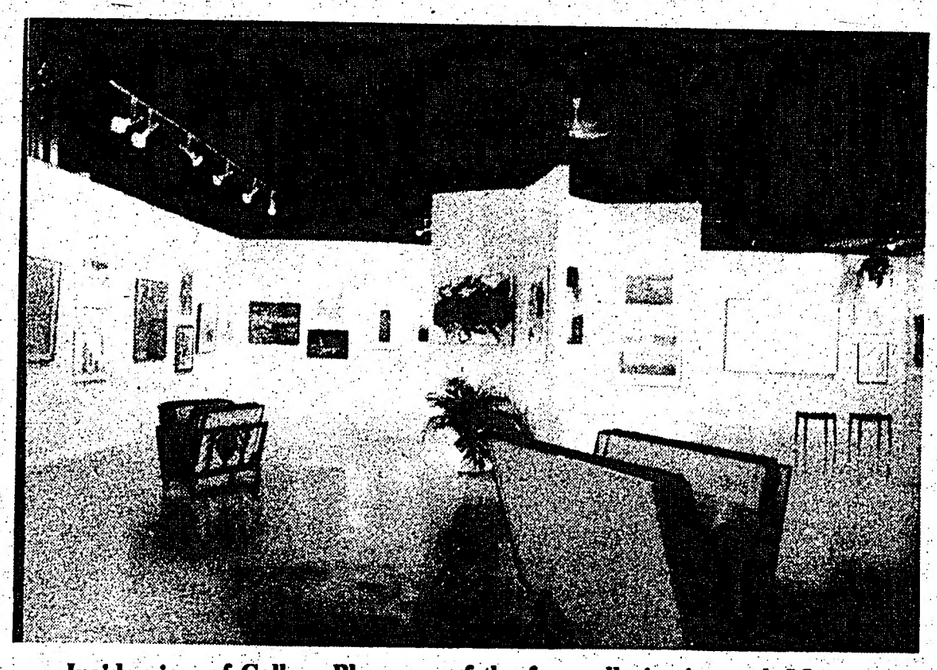
Despite the special interest in prints, Green-Pascal's eclectic background — "I always took an interest not only in my own art but in other people's art also" — is reflected in the gallery.

"Most galleries specialize," she explains, "but we don't want to limit ourselves to any one medium or style. We carry work in all mediums. The only criteria is that it be technically good and original."

Another unique aspect of the gallery is its location (1181 Finch Ave. W., Unit 5 — just east of Keele). Art galleries are not prevalent in this part of Metro, but Green-Pascal feels the move uptown has been beneficial.

Green-Pascal says she never had any reservations about going to an area untested for galleries. As far as she is concerned it's about time "there is finally a gallery in North York. There are a lot of people up north who are interested in art and all we have done is brought the art up to them."

And if the time is ripe for a new art gallery in North York, who would know better than an old farmgirl like Green-Pascal.



Inside view of Gallery Plus, one of the few galleries in north Metro.

Students create own showcase

TORONTO —

Anyone who ever aspired to work in the stage is well aware of the difficulties fresh, unknown faces encounter in gaining an opportunity to ply their talents.

So rather than waiting for work to become available a group of young Toronto actors have decided to create their own.

The Odyssey Theatre Ensemble is comprised of actors and actresses between the ages of 15 to 19 who are all students of the Leah Posluns Theatre School. Dedicated to achieving careers as professionals, the enthusiastic troupe of acting hopefuls have boldly decided to create their own showcase.

From Feb. 21-26 at the Pauline McGibbon Cultural Centre, the OTE is presenting an original production called, Holding Someone Holding Me, the ensemble's first presentation.

Holding Someone Holding Me, which it should be emphasized is not a theatre school production, although all the cast members are displaying skills honed at the LPTS, focuses on the relationship between a Jewish girl and a non-Jewish boy and the problems they encounter.

Set in a private co-ed boarding school, the play explores the theme of discrimination and how peer pressures can act as a catalyst in creating it.

"Granted, this is an ambitious project," says OTE artistic director Scott Kurchak, "however, we believe strongly in the production we are creating and in our dedication to ensemble work.

"Acting is doing and the Odyssey Theatre Ensemble has been formed to create work, rather than waiting for work to magically appear."

Performances of Holding Someone Holding Me take place at the Pauline McGibbon Cultural Centre, 86 Lombard Street, on Thursday and Friday at 8.15 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday at 2.15 and 7.30 p.m. Tickets are $5.00 for all performances.

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Travel

Building booms in sunspot

Palm Beach draws crowds with variety of activities

By TAMMY KAROL

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. —

West Palm Beach, the largest city in Palm Beach County is an ideal sunspot to visit this winter. It lies just across the Intercoastal Waterway from Palm Beaches with three bridges linking it to the Atlantic Ocean and occupies 44 square miles along the north shore of Lake Worth.

Its proximity to the Gulf Stream makes the climate nearly perfect year-round [an average temperature 69.2 [F] in the winter and 82.2 [F] in summer].

The city itself has a population of 66,000 permanent residents and 200,000 in the Greater West Palm Beach area, with thousands of additional winter residents.

Downtown West Palm Beach is itself booming, with more than $200 million worth of new construction planned.

An array of fine malls are all in the West Palm Beach area. Most of the stores are branches of prestigious national stores.

There are currently 21 major and commercial airlines servicing Palm Beach International Airport and Palm Beach County boasts some 27 hotels and motels.

Tours are a good way for you to get acquainted with the Palm Beaches. You can opt for the Lake Shore Drive Tour which gives you a magnificent view of the Palm Beach estates across the lake, or the Everglades National Park Scenic Boat Tours will show you S.W. Florida's 10,000 lakes.

Besides tours, there are also a number of arts and science museums in the Palm Beaches, including the Henry Morrison Flagler Museum.

In December, the museum held a special Jewish Life in America exhibit and from now to April 18 it is having a Panache and Petticoats display — an extensive array of fine silk ballgowns and other costumes worn from 1785-1981.

The Morikami Museum of Japanese Culture at Delray Beach [near West Palm Beach] is also hosting a number of special events this year such as demonstrations of the Japanese tea ceremony in the museum's tea room on March 17 and on April 21.

Moreover, the Greater Lakes Worth Chamber of Commerce is hosting a spring arts and craft festival May 10-13, and the Chamber of Commerce of the Palm Beaches will sponsor the April 27-29 Delray Sidewalk Arts and Crafts Festival and the Sunrise Kiwanis Beach Festival held the last weekend in July.

A number of sport events are also planned in the Palm Beaches area this year. They include the Delray Dunes Pro-Am scheduled for March 5 at the Delray Dunes Golf and Country Club (a one day PGA Pro-Am featuring 26 top touring pros including Lee Travino), and the Florida State Closed Tennis Championships, the Florida Tennis Association's top tournament now in its 33rd year at Laver's Racquet Club.

Both these events are sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce of the Palm Beaches in West Palm Beach. Contact Debbie Turdo, program manager at the Chamber for more information at (305) 833-3711 or call Robert Rosenberg, executive director at the Palm Beach County Tourist Development Council in West Palm Beach at (305) 837-3890.

If you're a tennis fan you also won't want to miss the Virginia Slims Women's Professional Tennis Tournament being held March 12-18 at the PGA Sheraton Resort in Palm Beach Gardens.

Outdoor activities in the Palm Beach County area include boating, biking, camping, fishing and swimming in such public beaches as Riviera Beach.

There's no lack of spectator sports in the area as the West Palm Beach Municipal Stadium is the spring training site for the Montreal Expos and the Atlanta Braves and practice and games are held in March and April at the stadium.

Every night except Sundays and Wednesdays there's greyhound racing through April 21 at the Palm Beach Kennel Club, across from West Palm Beach International Airport.

You can also watch Jai-Alai in West Palm Beach at the Jai-Alai Fronton every night except Sunday until March 31.

Polo is another big crowd drawer in West Palm Beach and can be played January through April at the Palm Beach Polo and Country Club and the Gulfstream Polo Grounds at Lake Worth Rd. At the Palm Beach Polo and Country Club special events include the March 8-April 1 Cartier International Polo Open.

Animal lovers should not fail to visit the Lion Country Safari, a game preserve of 640 acres of simulated African veldt with eight miles of paved safari trails which wind through this colorful attraction.

Don't miss out on the March 3 Great Elephant Weigh-In where Department of Transport officers spend the morning weighing in the park's animals. Also worthwhile to see is the May 6 Antique Autorama where 40 antique classic and just plain beautiful cars will be displayed.

In the music, theatre and dance scene, one of the biggest events will be the March 20 to April 15 Palm Beach Festival of the Performing Arts.

The program includes performances by the National Ballet of Canada with Karen Kain and Frank Augustyn, and concerts with the St. Paul Orchestra as well as violinist Pinchas Zukerman and pianists Vladmir Ashkenazy and Isaac Stern. Call (305) 686-6841 for more information.

Polo is one of the popular sports played in the Palm Beach County area.

A colorful welcome for Creole Queen

NEW ORLEANS —

The Creole Queen, a new paddlewheel riverboat built for the 1984 Louisiana World's Fair and Port of New Orleans was recently welcomed here with a colorful parade of tugs and ships.

The bright red, white, blue and gold sternwheeler was saluted by the fire boat Deluge with towering sprays of water as she docked for the first time at her permanent berth on the Mississippi River at the New Orleans Hilton Hotel complex.

The beautiful new Creole Queen will serve fair visitors from its berth near the pavilion of the People's Republic of China with seven daily, 2-hour harbor cruises.

On May 12, opening day of the Louisiana World's Fair, the 8 a.m. cruise will feature a champagne breakfast complete with live Dixieland Jazz, and the 8 p.m. cruise will include a creole dinner, Dixieland band, and fireworks display.

Regular operations of the Creole Queen will begin on Oct. 1 with cruises at 10.30 a.m. and 1.30 p.m. The boat will be available for private charter at night.

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By FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

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"I guess they'll make an extra big tsimmes about my coming to Israel next month," Sara Pachter was saying last week. "And, you know, I'll love every minute of it."

As just about every hotel keeper in Israel knows, Sara Pachter is that 5-foot-2 bundle of energy in her 60s who specializes in conducting Israeli tours for the Fisher-Fremont travel Ltd. at 535 Eglinton W. (481-3323).

And when she takes about 35 regulars with her on March 26 to April 9 on her annual B'nai B'rith Canada springtime tour to Israel, especially priced at $1,995, it will be her 65th trip to the Holy Land.

She made her first visit back in 1959 in company with her husband, Toronto stockbroker Harry Pachter, when he was one of the four Canadian delegates attending the B'nai B'rith International convention in the Holy Land.

"I feel like one of the pioneers," she says. "At the beginning I took a faithful band of 80 every year. Now I conduct five to six tours, with about 35 to 40 in each."

Her other tours this year will be scheduled for May 2, July 4, Oct. 8 and Dec. 19.

To Canadians who worry about Israel's current economic problems, she says, "don't complain. The decline of the shekel is a bonanza to you as a traveler, meaning your dollar is worth more there."

And to those who first fret about the fighting in Lebanon, she says comfortingly, "I assure you, things are quiet in Israel. You've got a map problem. You get upset because you look at the map, and you confuse the battles an inch away on the map with the peaceful surroundings in Israel.

"Tell me, if you look at the map of Canada, wouldn't you be meshuggah if you confused the goings on in Hudson Bay with what's happening an inch or so south in Toronto? Believe me, everything's quiet in Israel — except the articulate Israelis."

* * *

In contrast, it will be Rimma Baran's first trip to Israel when she escorts a group of about 25 people on a 2-week, $1,695 tour from May 14 to May 28.

She's a Moscow-born, former research engineer of 40, who a year ago joined Trans-Globe Travel Ltd. at 1750 Steeles Ave. near Dufferin (669-9388) as a travel counselor.

Ten people have already applied to join her group of about 25 who are largely 50 and over.

"My extra asset is that I can be very empathetic to Russian-speaking Jewish people who, like myself, are making their first trip there," she says.

"We'll have expert guides in Israel, of course, and you can be sure I'll have done a lot of research on the country before we leave."

Another group of singles and couples, aged 18 to 35, will be escorted on a tour during the same period by her far more experienced boss, Subash Chauhan, owner of Trans-Global.

Though he's a Nairobi-born East Indian, Chauhan says laughingly, "I've been dealing with Jewish people in the travel field for half my life — 16 out of 32 years. So I feel as though I'm at least half Jewish."

He was an El Al representative in Nairobi and Toronto for seven years before becoming a travel agent here and has virtually lost count of the number of times he has flown to Israel.

"I may not be completely Jewish," he says, "but I'm one of Israel's most enthusiastic cheer leaders."

Sara Pachter aback a camel in Jerusalem.

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According to Taylor, there are many paved backroads in the state that are gently rolling and have limited traffic.

He adds that housing for the cyclists will range from modern motels to historic inns to several overnight homestays. Kentucky is the home of such individuals as Daniel Boone, Muhammad Ali and Colonel Sanders, Taylor noted.

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Old mixes with the new

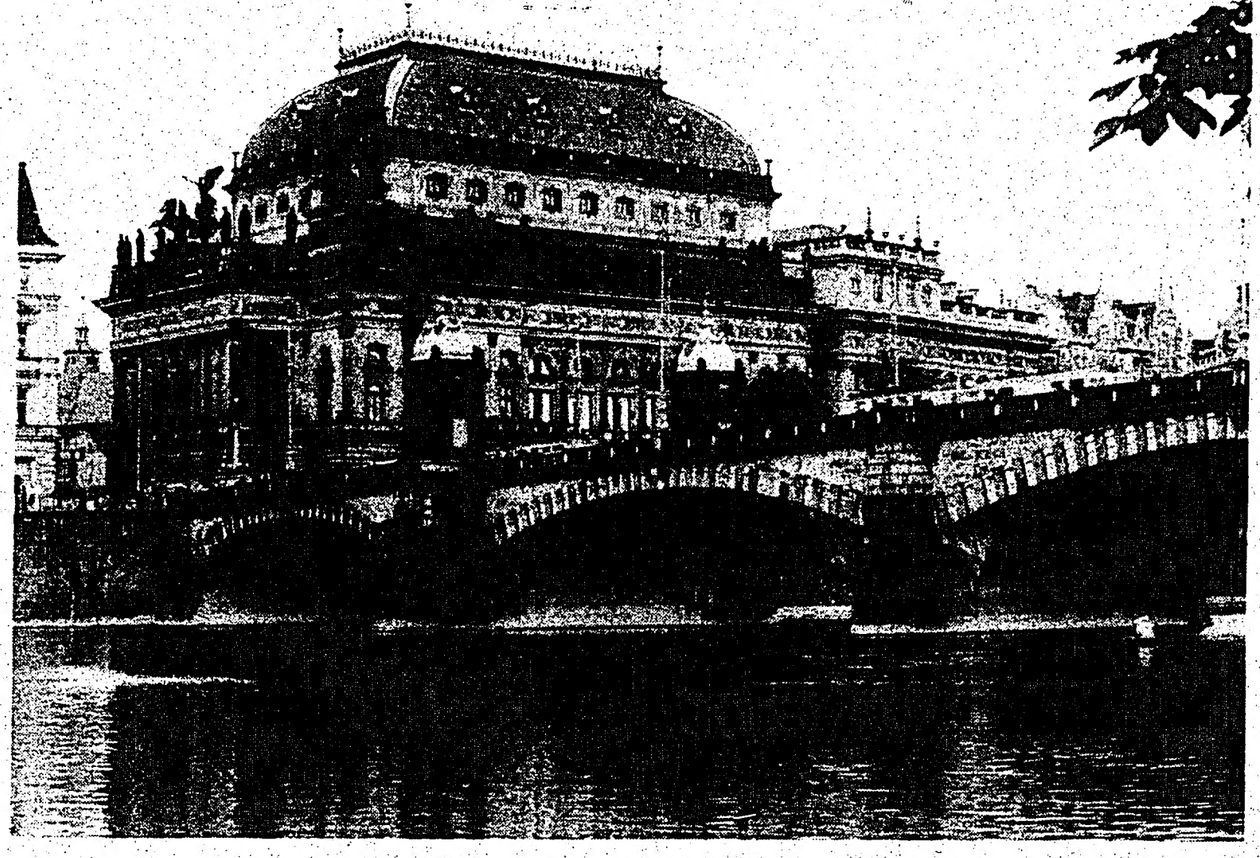
Castles, cathedrals make Czechoslovakia worth seeing

By
JAMES MONTAGNES

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia — The recent visit of Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau to this city in his quest for peace is likely to whet the appetite of Europe-bound vacationers to Czechoslovakia this year. This capital city and the nearby countryside are filled with old and often restored castles, old cities abounding in history and homes of many musicians and composers.

No matter where you are in this 1,000 year old city, you can't miss seeing Prague Castle and St. Vitus Cathedral on the hill overlooking the city. It is the place to start to see many of the important monuments in the country.

Prague Castle is a complex of royal palaces, vast ornate libraries, churches and chapels, and narrow winding streets where once alchemists tried to turn base metals into gold in the Middle Ages.



The National Theatre in Prague, one of many 19th century and earlier buildings in the Czech capital.

Even the most sophisticated tourist, inured to seeing medieval churches, will spend some time in St. Vitus Cathedral with its high vaulted arches and huge stained glass windows.

Prague Castle prepares you for the dozens of other palaces to be found throughout the city and its nearby towns. They seem just an endless number, a tribute to the splendid scenic location of the city on the Moldau or Vltava River.

You can walk, like this travel reporter did, for more than a mile downhill, along curving cobblestoned streets from Prague Castle to the river, with always a view of the roofs of the city below, church spires everywhere, until you reach the old guard towers at the river's edge.

Through the old Town Bridge Tower, with small restaurants and shops inside and out, you come to the most famous bridge in central Europe, the Charles Bridge across the Moldau. It was built more than 600 years ago, its 516 metres (564 yards) length lined with 30 groups of religious statues.

Traffic is so heavy these days, the bridge is open only to pedestrians. Charles Bridge is one of at least eight bridges across the river within the city.

The old mixes well with the new in Prague. At another bridge near the Charles Bridge are old university buildings and one of the city's ultra-modern international hotels. On the square facing the hotel is a major Prague tourist attraction, the oldest synagogue in central Europe.

It was built in the 13th century and is one of a number of old synagogues forming the state Jewish Museum, visited by almost every tourist to the city.

Nearby is the old Jewish Town Hall, when the area was a ghetto, and behind the synagogue is an old cemetery with a jumble of 12,000 tombstones dating back to the Middle Ages, including that of Rabbi Jehuda Low who lived in the 16th century, a cabalist who is said to have created a robot of clay, the Golom.

You can take days wandering about the city, and you won't exhaust the list of things to see. There is the Old Town Hall with an astronomical clock. As the hour strikes you'll find a small crowd watching the puppet procession in the clocktower. It has been in operation since 1410.

There are many theatres with dramatic performances in Czech and concert halls resounding to the music made famous by Mozart, Beethoven, Carl Maria Weber, Liszt, Smetana and Dvorak who all lived in Prague for a time.

In the newer part of the city is the statue of 10th century Prince Wenceslas on horseback on Wenceslas Square. Below is the main subway station and a shopping area. Near the Square are main museums which are usually closed on Mondays.

Czechs being very sportsminded there are several sporting facilities. The main stadium, Spartakiad, can seat 200,000 spectators. Here are held gymnastic events as well as soccer games.

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Toronto holds 150th

Ontario gears up for anniversaries

By JAMES MONTAGNES

QUEBEC CITY, Que. — Jacques Cartier arrived here from France 450 years ago, an event marked with a big maritime exhibition this summer. There will be sailing races, sailing ships of all kinds, and a gathering of the world's tallest sailing ships.

This is just one of many important anniversaries to be staged in Canada this year. The province of New Brunswick will mark its 200th birthday, so will Ontario.

Toronto will hold 150th birthday fetes and Port Arthur, now part of Thunder Bay, at the western end of Lake Superior, will hold its 100th anniversary. Calgary will have its centennial and Yellowknife in the Northwest Territories will have its 50th homecoming year.

The days when sailing ships were the main intercontinental transports for passengers and cargo may be long gone, but oceangoing tall sailing ships remain.

Many of them will be seen in eastern and central Canada this summer, travelling as far inland from the Atlantic as Toronto, and on their way to the Quebec 84 Festival touching in at Halifax, after Quebec at Trois Rivieres, Montreal and Toronto.

Among the tall ships will be the three-master Libertad from Argentina, Germany's three-master Gorch Fock, Venezuela's brigantine Simon Bolivar, the Sagres II from Portugal, the Danish training ship Danmark with 26 sails, United States ship Eagle, and the Gazela Primeiro from Philadelphia's Marine Museum, a ship built 100 years ago in Portugal.

The last time there was such a big gathering of tall ships, some 30 are expected, was in 1976 at New York for the United States bicentennial celebrations. The tall ships will gather in Bermuda and then come in a race to Halifax, proceeding in parade from there to Quebec City to arrive on June 25. Canada's Bluenose will lead the parade, a copy of the famous fastest fishing sailing ship Bluenose.

The program for Quebec 84 will include sailing races from the Great Lakes to the Atlantic along the St. Lawrence Seaway and the St. Lawrence River. There will be a trans-Atlantic race from Quebec City starting August 19 to St. Malo, France, where Jacques Cartier began his first trip to the St. Lawrence River region in 1534.

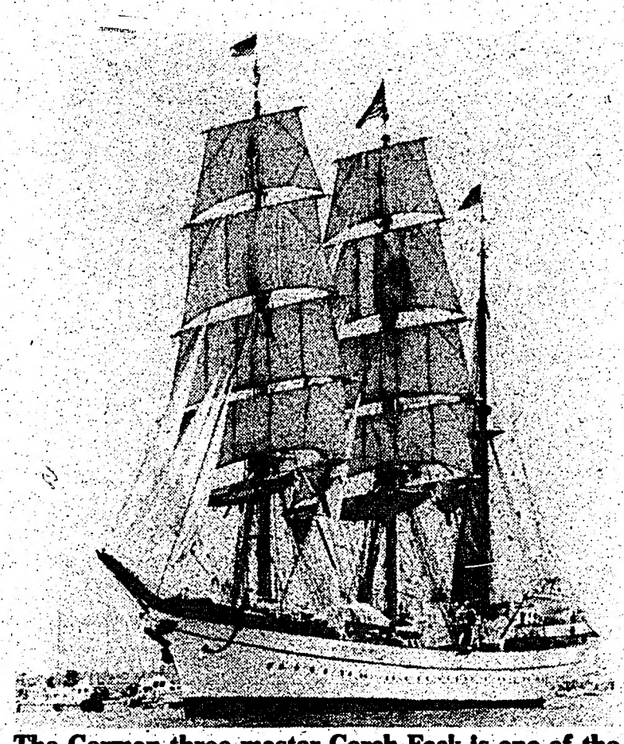
Other sailing events will be numerous in the Quebec City area, and there will be a chance to sail on some of the modern large sailing yachts at Quebec for visitors to the exhibition.

As well there will be a marine exhibition in the restored old Quebec City port, craft shops, fine restaurants and other activities. Like Expo '67, the Quebec event will be operated on a passport basis by the Royal Bank of Canada, there will be special tour packages to the event and a central lodging organization will make sure everyone has a place to stay in Canada's oldest city.

In New Brunswick, there will be 200th anniversary festivals in various parts of the province throughout 1984. The capital city of Fredericton is also having its bicentennial.

At Saint John, Loyalist Days July 15 to 21 will include a re-enactment of the landing of settlers from the New England area in 1783 who were fleeing the American War of Independence.

The small town of Caraquet will have an Acadian Festival to mark the 200th anniversary of French settlers.



The German three-master Gorch Fock is one of the Tall Ships expected to take part in the Quebec 84 Festival in June.

Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip are due in the province for the official bicentennial celebrations late in July.

More than 700 Ontario municipalities are planning celebrations this summer for the province's 200th birthday. One of the earliest is at Cornwall March 10 to 17 with Junior World Curling Championship bonspiels. At Kingston there will be a national meeting of United Empire Loyalists May 30 to June 3.

Thunder Bay will have a Great Rendezvous Pageant recalling the days of the fur trade at restored Old Fort William as part of its centennial celebrations for former Port Arthur, July 1 to 3.

Prescott on the St. Lawrence River will mark its 150th birthday with a Military Pageant July 13 to 22, recalling the battles of the War of 1812.

Toronto's 150th birthday celebrations will go on all year, including an International Music Festival the entire month of June.

The city of New Westminster, B.C., marks its 125th birthday this year. Yellowknife is 50 years old as capital of the Northwest Territories, will have a Homecoming June 23 to July 7.

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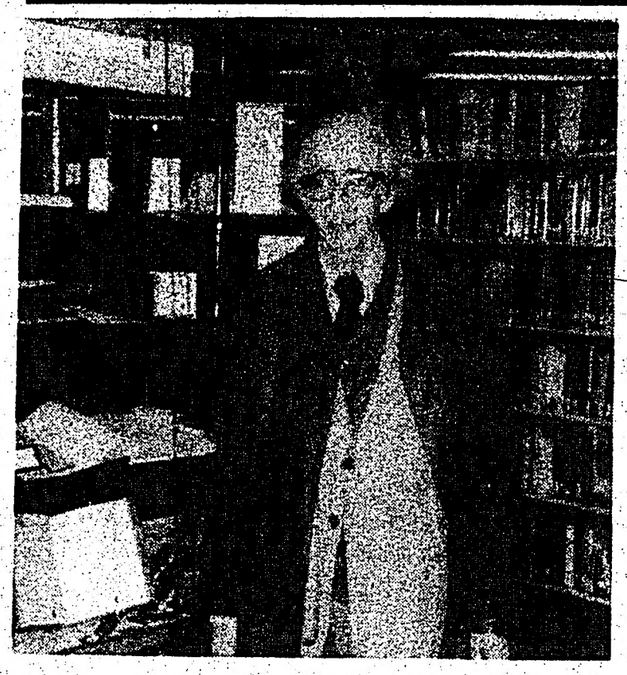

David Harduf

Love of Yiddish led to dictionary

By
LEAH BELFON

TORONTO —
"Because of the Holocaust," says David Mendel Harduf, "Yiddish has become a holy language."

Harduf's love of his mother tongue and the breadth of his knowledge as a lexicographer led him to compile a new English-Yiddish / Yiddish-English dictionary, which he published himself.

"I undertook this project several years ago," Harduf told The CJN, "because I saw a need for a pocket-sized, up-to-date dictionary that would be accessible to everyone in terms of size and price. The Yiddish dictionaries already on the market were, I felt, either too scholarly to be useful to the average person, or too outdated in the sense that many modern words were not included.

"In my dictionary, I supply the simple, direct meanings of words. And, judging from the response, people are finding my work useful."

To date, Harduf has received orders from Israel, Europe, Asia, Alaska and Australia. Thousands of copies have been sold in the United States, with schools that teach Yiddish being among Harduf's most enthusiastic customers.

According to Harduf, this was to be expected. "Only in the homes and schools where Yiddish is spoken," he says, "can the full scope of its beauty be appreciated. The Yiddish language, and the culture of which it is a part, have no future unless they remain in daily use.

"It is all very well for universities to offer courses in Yiddish, but the future of Yiddish does not lie there. It lies only within the Orthodox community," he declares.

"It is they who have taken Yiddish to their hearts and cherished it as it should be cherished. It is schools like Yeshiva Yesodei Hatorah, where Yiddish is a living tongue, which ensures that the language and culture are transmitted to the youth."

Harduf, a retired Hebrew teacher, finds it difficult to understand why more Jewish schools — especially the traditional ones — do not make Yiddish part of their curriculum. Their doing so, he feels, would provide children with the enrichment that comes from close attachment to their heritage.

"When I was a boy in Poland," Harduf said, "every Jewish child was steeped in Yiddish and Hebrew studies. It's a shame that out of the desire of many people to be modern, many among our youth are deprived of this aspect of their Jewishness."

Harduf's dictionary will be of help to all who seek to preserve Yiddish as a living language, and the book's $5 retail price makes it an attractive buy. (The dictionary is available in Jewish book stores.)

Says Harduf: "The cover of my dictionary contains a verse from Proverbs (25:11) which expresses very well what I hope my work will help people to accomplish. It reads: 'A word clearly spoken is like a pattern of golden apples on a silver mosaic.' "

National body links high schoolers

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —
Jewish high school students of Canada will soon have a national organization focusing on their concerns, if 17-year-old Daniel Schonbuch has his way.

The organization, the North American High School Organization Network — Nahon for short — is the brainchild of the grade 13 North Toronto Collegiate student.

Less than a year old, Nahon is just getting off the ground in its ambitious plan to link Jewish high school students under a single umbrella organization. It operates under the auspices of Network, the Jewish university students' group.

Schonbuch told The CJN his hope is for Nahon to take an important role in unifying and organizing students from Jewish day schools and youth groups along with the large number of students not affiliated with Jewish social organizations.

"The majority of Jewish students are in public schools," Schonbuch said. "They're not being touched (by Jewish groups) and they're our future."

He said Nahon could help foster a sense of Jewish identity among Jewish students in public schools and create "a great change in Jewish youth by getting them involved in Jewish priorities."

As an organized body, they could have input to the public schools about a lack of teacher sensitivity (on some occasions) to Jewish holidays; on rescheduling events normally held on Friday nights; and about making kosher food available in some schools.

Nahon would also be a place where Jewish students could gather to set objectives and discuss what being a Jew in the public school system meant.

Schonbuch said he hoped Nahon could help stem the gradual loss of identity he sees Jewish students undergoing in public schools. Nahon could "make it fashionable to be Jewish and express our Jewish identity openly."

And whether people are needed for a rally or to discuss issues that concern them, Nahon could help create a strong core of leaders who will gain experience and move on to other Jewish organizations in later years, he added.

The national director of the Canadian Universities Bureau of Network, Mimi Estrin, says her organization is 100% behind Nahon. Network provides moral support for the group and helps find speakers and resource people to facilitate Nahon's operations, she said.

Nahon will hold its first convention in Toronto on March 25, with students from schools such as Newtonbrook, York Mills, Forest Hills and North Toronto expected to participate.

Meanwhile, Nahon, in conjunction with Beth Tikvah USY, is presenting a workshop on monitoring media coverage of the Middle East. Philosopher Max Brown will be the guest speaker at the meeting, Sunday, March 11, noon 3 p.m., at Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave. For more information contact Avra Brown at 221-8529 or Marshall Swadron at 889-8884.

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Soviet pair grab honors

Bronze lost when tie taken away from skaters

sports scene

By GARY COHEN

U.S. ice dancing champions Judy Blumberg and Michael Seibert saw their hopes of winning an Olympic medal in Sarajevo last week dashed in excruciatingly disappointing fashion.

After entering the final segment of the event with a tenuous hold on the bronze medal spot, Blumberg and Seibert, ranked third in the world, finished the competition in a tie for third place with Soviet pair Marina Klimova and Sergie Ponomarenko. But Klimona and Ponomarenko were awarded the bronze medal on the basis of having earned higher marks in the free program section of the event.

If a single judge had marked Blumberg and Seibert higher during the free program they would have skated away with the bronze.

Jayne Torvill and Christopher Dean of Great Britain captured the ice dance gold medal with a flawless, rivetting free program performance that drew a remarkable 12 perfect marks — a world record — from the judges.

Natalia Bestemianova and Andrei Bukin of the Soviet Union won the silver medal.

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The goaltender who so frustrated Team USA in its 3-3 Olympic ice hockey draw with Norway was Joern Goldstein.

Several outstanding stops by Goldstein late in the contest helped keep the U.S. out of the medal round and sunk American hopes for a repeat of the 1980 Miracle in Lake Placid.

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American tennis players Ben Testerman and Eliot Teltscher last week both reached the semi-finals of the $315,000 U.S. Indoor Championships held in Memphis, Tenn.

Testerman, currently ranked 194th in the world, continued his string of recent upsets over top-seeded players which began with his defeat of Gene Mayer at the U.S. Pro Indoor Championships in Philadelphia two weeks ago by downing South Africa's Kevin Curren and fellow countryman Tim Mayotte en route to the semi-final berth.

Testerman lost in the semis 4-6, 6-1, 6-1 to eventual champion Jimmy Connors.

Teltscher, the tourney's seventh-seed, was upset in his semi-final match 6-4, 6-3 by 16th seed Henri Leconte of France.

Meanwhile, Brian Gottfried of the U.S. was a third-round fatality in Memphis losing in straight sets to Mayotte, 6-4, 6-4.

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Derek Segal, 23, of Toronto was recently named to the Canadian Davis Cup team that will visit Mexico City next month for a second-round tie in the 1984 American Zone playdowns.

Segal, who made a strong return to professional tennis at last year's Player's tournament in Montreal after taking an 18-month break from competition, will be joined on the squad by Glenn Michibata of Toronto, the 75th ranked player in the world and Canada's top-seeded court performer, Laval's Stephane Bonneau, 21, and Bill Cowan, 24, a native of Toronto now residing in Montreal.

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The defending champion Toronto Maccabi soccer club recently dropped a 4-1 decision to Campus International in the Division II championship game of the Toronto Blizzard Indoor Soccer Tournament played at Malvern Community Centre.

Yuri Shapiro scored the lone Maccabi goal in the title match that was a reversal of last year's final in which Maccabi downed Campus to claim the crown.

Maccabi went through the round-robin portion of the tourney with a two wins, one tie record before beating Armourdale 3-1 in the semis to setup the rematch with Campus.

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The Israeli Supreme Court recently rejected an appeal by two U.S. basketball players that they be recognized as Israeli citizens.

Phil Daley and Chris Rankin, who are not Jewish, married Israeli women in a wedding ceremony in Cyprus last year allegedly in an effort to qualify to play in league basketball games in Israel. The court refused to recognize a change in their status and ordered them to pay 200,000 shekels in court costs.

Over the years, numerous non-Jewish athletes from the United States have undergone marriages of convenience or quick conversions to attain Israeli citizenship in order to qualify for basketball teams. And frequently, managers of teams have accepted players despite strong objections from the rabbinate.

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Golfer Amy Alcott last week finished three strokes off the pace to collect $8,859 at the $175,000 Sarasota Classic in Florida.

Alcott tied for third place with three other golfers, two strokes behind runner-up Donna Caponi ($15,750) who was edged by a single stroke by tournament winner Alice Miller. Miller took home $26,250 in winnings for capturing the title.

The finish was Alcott's best so far this season.

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Goalie Mike Veisor seems to have found new life in the National Hockey League after a recent mid-season trade sent the veteran 31-year-old netminder to the Winnipeg Jets following a brief stint with the Hartford Whalers.

Veisor (the subject of an upcoming Sports Scene feature), who began his NHL career as the backup to Black Hawk's Tony Esposito in Chicago, has played well for Jets since being called up from their American Hockey League Sherbrooke club affiliate last month.

In his first six starts with the Jets, Veisor has compiled a nifty 3.26 goals against average and a save percentage of .872 — best in both departments among Winnipeg goalies this season.

In four games with Hartford earlier this campaign, the Toronto native sported a disappointing 5.00 goals against mark. After being dealt to Jets, Veisor at first refused to report to Sherbrooke and was rumored to have considered hanging up his pads before finally accepting the AHL assignment.

Veisor was traded to Hartford from Chicago last season.

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In B'nai B'rith hockey league A Division action last week, it was Canyon Brokers 2, Toronto Freedom Whalers 1; Toronto Freedom Team Mates 4, Toronto Freedom North Stars 1; and Forrestdale Big Steel Man 2, Canyon Satellites 2.

In BI Division games, scores were Maccabiah Red Wings 1, Toronto Freedom Realtors 1; Red Wings 3, Toronto Freedom Fighters 2; Realtors 8, Toronto Freedom Blue Notes 3; Leonard Mayzel-Black Hawks 4, Don Mills Wasters 1; and Canyon Kings 5, Don Mills Axemen 1.

In BII Division, it was Manor Metropolitan Wolverines 4, Leonard Mayzel Red Hawks 3; Wolverines 2, Forrestdale Sting 2; and Forrestdale Flyers 4, Canyon Crush 0.

In C Division games, scores were Maccabiah Bruins 6, Canyon Flying Bagels 0; Toronto Freedom Plumbers 9, Maccabiah Weiss Guys 5; and Toronto Freedom Ultis 5, Toronto Freedom Refiners 1.

North York residents turn thumbs down on domed stadium site

By JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —

North York residents last week came out firmly opposed to the construction of a domed stadium at the Downsview Airport at a meeting organized by a group of concerned citizens.

Gathering at the B'nai B'rith Centre on Hove Ave., over 100 Downsview residents told North York controllers Barbara Greene, Bill Sutherland, Bob Yuill and Esther Shiner that implementation of the recent Macaulay report recommending a domed stadium be built just west of Allen Road would disrupt people's lives.

Spensieri Benny, president of the Faywood and Vicinity Ratepayers Association, said the place for a domed stadium was at the Canadian National Exhibition and not in North York. "It will upset living patterns and drastically affect people's lives," he said.

Godfrey favored Ex site

Benny added that implementation of the Macaulay report would result in his area being turned into "one great parking lot," noting that he has already received calls from people wanting to rent his front yard for parking.

The CNE site had been favored by Metro chairman Paul Godfrey and was regarded as a front-running option until an 11th hour offer of federal land for the site near the Downsview Airport prompted the committee's controversial decision.

Property values affected

Sutherland and Greene both expressed support for the construction of a domed stadium, but Greene favored the more southerly location. "I personally think the CNE is the best place for the dome," she said.

Weighing the pros and cons of putting the stadium in North York, she said it would create pressure to develop the area around the stadium, thereby diverting potential development away from the Yonge Street corridor. By putting the new facility in the area, she said, some property values would increase while others declined.

When questioned about signs placed on the Allen Road and other routes – supporting the domed stadium in North York, Greene said they had not been authorized by council and must have been initiated by North York mayor Mel Lastman.

Wilson Heights MPP David Rotenberg, who also attended the meeting, promised those upset with Lastman's enthusiasm over the project that the final decision would be made at the provincial level and that he would represent their views in the legislature.

"The final decision is with the province and therefore with (Premier) Bill Davis," he said.

Rotenberg stated that the decision-making process for the stadium will begin shortly and stressed that before a judgment is reached resident's views will be taken into consideration and proper impact and environmental studies would be conducted.

Yuill said that since a final decision had not yet been made the meeting may have been premature. But, he added, "if a decision is made to go ahead, we will do everything to make sure you're not affected."

Yuill also told residents that if built, the dome would be closed during concerts, thereby eliminating noise pollution in the area.

The problem of noisy rock concerts has plagued the CNE-area residents for some time.

Shiner, who recently returned from vacation, said she hadn't yet decided where to stand on the issue. She said she was present at the meeting in order to listen to people's concerns.

While construction of a stadium in North York could result in problems, she added that the CNE might not be the best site for the facility either.

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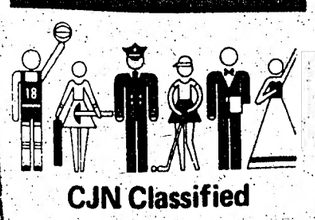

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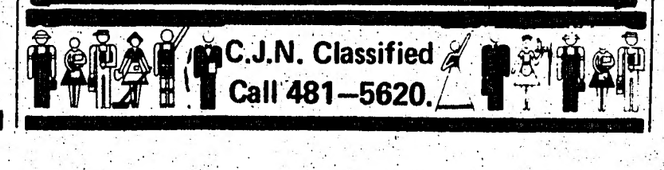

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3 bdrm, 2 storey, family room, fireplace, master bdrm ensuite rec. room. Mr. Verrall 224-2800.

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115 ANTIBES DRIVE — 2 BDRM CONDO. BEST VIEW!
North/West corner, separate living/dining, wrap-around balcony, 2 full baths, eat-in kitchen. Leon Kogan 224-2800.

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BATHURST-STEELES — 4 BDRM SEMI — HOT BUY
2 storey, central air, updated finished bsmt, main fl. powder room. Evelyn Pollock 224-2800.

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Lovely 2 storey, 3 bdrm home, eat-in kit., appliances, finished bsmt, separate dining rm overlooking living rm, garage. Tami Gringorten 223-5100.

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BATHURST-STEELES $115,900 BRICK DETACHED
2 storey 3 bdrm, 3 baths, immaculate cond, $$$ extras. Annette Lipton 224-2800.

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LESLIE-FINCH — VENDORS HAVE BOUGHT!
4 bdrm detached, huge living & dining, modern kitchen, beautiful fin. bsmt, att. garage. Paul Pister 224-2800.

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BATHURST-STEELES — MUST BE SEEN!
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3 large bdrms, modern eat-in kitchen, appliances, great view, million $$$ rec. centre. Joe Salomon 224-2800.

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2 large bdrms + 5 pc ensuite, fam. rm, bar, built-ins, oak kitchen, 2 parking. Ethel Goldman 223-5100.

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Prestige Split bungalow, designer bsmt, family rm, ultra modern kitchen. Evelyn Pollock 224-2800.

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$189,000 - Avenue Rd. - Eglinton. Picture perfect tudor features gourmet kit w/walkout to cedar deck, 3 bdrms, 2 mod. baths, fin. bsmt. A. Spivak 481-3443.

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2 storey, centre hall, extras, pool - sized lot, panelled den, + fam. rm. Decorated throughout. $239,900. Ted Waxman, 731-7111.

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BATHURST-STEELES
Drastically reduced, 4 bdrm., 2 storey home, mn. flr. laundry & fam. rm., backs onto park. Hurry! Laureen Unroth, 731-7111.

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BATHURST/STEELES
Detached tastefully decorated, premium lot. Fin. bsmnt., $118,900. Jeff Grosman/Laurence Alexander, 731-7111.

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BATHURST/STEELES
3 bdrm., 4 bths., fin. bsmnt., mn. flr. fam. rm., hardwood flrs. $121,900. Ted Waxman, 731-7111.

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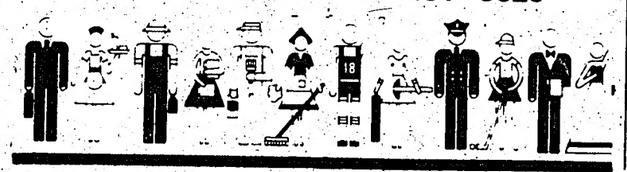

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Transfer s... SOLD ...rick bunga-low, 3 bd... ..., 2 kitchens, 2 baths, completely reno-vated.

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$119,900. Brick bungalow, 6 rms., 2 baths, finished bsmt., garage, near every-thing.

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Shalom routine keeps seniors fit

By
MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON — Every morning at 10 o'clock, 24 residents of Shalom Village gather in the lounge for a 20-minute exercise program and according to a McMaster University physical education professor, it's by far the best she's seen anywhere.

The 24, whose ages range from 71 to 89, demonstrated their routine at a fitness for Older Adults workshop during a recent student association for health, physical education and recreation conference here.

Dr. Barbara Gowitzke, who became interested in physical fitness for older adults several years ago and has since watched numerous such demonstrations at workshops and conferences across the country, is impressed with the thorough workout they get.

The routine was developed by Pat Davis, Shalom Village program director and assistant to administrator Sheila Burman. Although she has no background in physical education, Davis put together a routine that "works the body from head to toe," she says.

In the three months after she joined the Shalom Village staff and before the first residents moved in two years ago, she observed fitness programs in other residences and homes and studied books such as The Ageless Exercise Plan by Michael Feldman, Group Fitness For Seniors by Esta Palter and Brenda Saunders and Fitness For The Older Adult put out by the ministry of health and other publications.

Based on her research, she worked out a series of exercises which was approved by her family physician but with the proviso that each resident consult with his or her own physician before taking part.

It was the first group actively at Shalom Village and all six residents joined in. Of the 41 residents today, between 20 and 24 take part in the 5-morning a week program and so keen are they, that they voluntarily extended it to Sundays.

The students, who came to the workshop from universities all over Ontario, were "worn out" when Davis asked how they felt at the conclusion of the program.

Gowitzke sympathized. "Unless you take part, you don't realize what a workout they get. The first time I went down [to Shalom Village]," said the slim and trim phys-ed professor, "I thought, holy smokes! They're really getting a lot of movement!"

Seated in comfortable armchairs, the residents begin with deep breathing and some gentle warmup exercises. To the accompaniment of taped piano music, much of it familiar Jewish melodies to which they hum along, they work up to more strenuous and energetic exercises, then wind down again, concluding with more deep breathing.

While exercise helps to reduce both physical and psychological tensions and can alleviate minor physical problems as well as help overcome the side effects of many disabilities, one of the most important benefits, says Davis, "is the increase in the level of socialization among the residents."

She noted that the program "serves as a purpose to get up and start the day."

Preferring to take part as a member of the group rather than as leader, Davis says she finds it interesting to watch how the mood changes. "As the program progresses, the amount of laughing, singing and teasing increases and it is of the utmost importance not to lose the fun component of the program."

Staying afloat

MONTREAL — Israelis, who currently use 95% of their water supplies, have been developing complex and novel systems for not only increasing the amount of usable water but also for new ways to keep Israel's wells from running dry.

The first challenge Israel's water management experts had to face in 1948 was the disparity between the north, near the sources of the Sea of Galilee and the Jordan River, and the dry south, situated 150 metres above sea level.

They decided to transport large quantities of water from the Sea of Galilee to the Negev desert via a national water carrier. This system consists of huge pumping stations, 40 kilometres of open concrete canals, eight kilometres of tunnels and 80 kilometres of wide pipes, which today winds along a path connecting up with thousands of wells along the way.

The water carrier transports 1.1 billion cubic metres annually and has been primarily responsible for the growth and development of the Negev.

Once the matter is transporting water to the arid south was solved, Israel's technologists had more time to deal with the pressing problem of keeping pace with the country's growing water needs.

One of the solutions has been the replenishment of underground water supplies by "catching" the run-off of heavy winter rainfall.

Making virtue out of necessity, Israeli agriculture experts have bred new types of crops — from tomatoes to cotton — which thrive on slightly salty water.

These water management and distribution projects, are being funded through the State of Israel Bonds' efforts.

Parade starts drive

TORONTO — The Daffodil Festival Parade — including floats, bands, many celebrities and a total of more than 2,000 participants — will be marching down Bay St. from Bloor to Wellington for the 26th year on April 6.

The extravaganza will mark the official opening of Cancer Month, in which volunteers will sell daffodils and use other showmanlike devices to raise funds for the Canadian Cancer Society.

Harry Rosen, president of Harry Rosen Limited, as campaign chairman for the society, announced last week that the goal for Metro Toronto this year is $5 million, which will greatly surpass last year's objective of $3.9 million.

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Business Outlook

Make your money grow

Term deposits give investors edge on interest

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —
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Trust companies, investment houses and insurance companies offer a variety of financial vehicles to make your money grow to your best advantage.

For investors seeking short-term growth, most financial institutions offer term deposits carrying rates of interest that exceed those offered by banks' savings and chequing accounts.

At the Royal Trust Company of Canada, Guaranteed Investment Certificates (term deposits) vary in their term from one month to five years, with the rate of interest varying accordingly.

Royal Trust's manager of personal trust investments, Mike Moes, says for a 1-year term, the certificates now pay 9% and slightly less for terms under one year (as of Feb. 1).

Senior account executive Max Steinberg of Investors Syndicate Limited, advises that "generally speaking," guaranteed certificates are not redeemable before their term expires. Some institutions he says, do redeem before their term, "but at a penalty" — usually a lower interest rate.

For a more marketable investment, Moes says, Government of Canada Treasury Bills can be obtained at auction every Thursday. They are sold in 91 days, 182 days and 1-year terms, and are available in $1,000, $15,000, $25,000 and $100,000 denominations.

Although no rate of interest is quoted for the bills, they are sold at a discount, so a $25,000 bill may be sold for $22,000.

For people who want liquidity and a good rate of return, Steinberg says, "Canada Savings Bonds, can, in some instances, be considered a good investment." Now paying 9¼% per year with a 7% minimum, they compare favorably to the 6 to 7% offered by savings accounts.

But, over the long term, Steinberg adds, "Canada Savings Bonds are not considered, by people in the investment area, as a wise form of investment. Other things provide more that also have options of liquidity."

For a young couple, or a single person in a high tax bracket, Steinberg recommends participation in "a registered homeownership plan (RHOSP). Investors has a guaranteed certificate that pays 10½%," Steinberg says.

Under the scheme, a taxpayer can deduct $1,000 per year from his income for 10 years, if the money is deposited in the plan. When the investor uses the money to buy a house, the money can be withdrawn tax free.

Steinberg also recommends — for those who don't need the money immediately — investing in Registered Retirement Savings Plan. It is "often one of the best areas for enforced savings with tax deductible money," Steinberg says.

Like the home ownership plan, money put into the plan is deducted from income for tax purposes, but in this scheme, it is designed to be withdrawn at retirement, when the investor's tax bracket has gone down — thus both reducing and deferring his income tax.

Another tax deduction device that is popular, but difficult to obtain, is investing in a MURB — a Multiple Unit Residential Building.

Doug Hall of the corporate finance department at Pitfield Mackay Ross, explains that these devices allow an investor to shelter his income — regardless of source — by deducting building and ongoing expenses from income.

MURBs were in their heyday up to Dec. 31, 1981, he said, when the government cancelled the program, but those buildings that qualified can still offer the same tax shelter, though their popularity has made them somewhat scarce.

For investors who would like to obtain a good rate of growth and avoid the taxman's bite, most financial institutions offer annuities with varying terms. At Canada Life, Robert Morrison says, annuity contracts are available in 1-, 3- or 5-year terms. This "very popular savings vehicle" offers growth of interest higher than that offered by bonds, and provides "deferral of interest income."

At Investors, Steinberg says, term annuities are available for 5-, 10-, 15- or up to 20-year terms. Once an annuity is purchased, "principal and interest is paid out to you for the duration of the period," and at the end of the guaranteed period the principal is (usually) used up.

"In most instances, the interest paid is better than that obtained in a bank savings account."

Both Steinberg and Morrison agree that investing in mutual funds is a good, relatively safe investment. Steinberg points out they provide a "good return" and money earned as dividends is taxed at a lower rate than is interest income.

Once the fund is sold, Steinberg adds, any gain is a capital gain and only one-half of it is taxed.

Morrison agrees investing in a mutual fund, though "passive investing," is the route young people with disposable income should go. They have a "long time before they retire," he says.

By investing in mutual funds they can "make money, learn about business and how to invest . . . and when they are in a position to put more capital in the market, they'll know more about what they're up against."

Budget increases RRSP limits

The federal government, in its new budget, plans to increase the total annual dollar contribution limits on money-purchase retirement plans, including registered retirement savings plans and newly created registered pension accounts, to $10,000 in 1985, $12,000 in 1986, $14,000 in 1987 and $15,500 in 1988.

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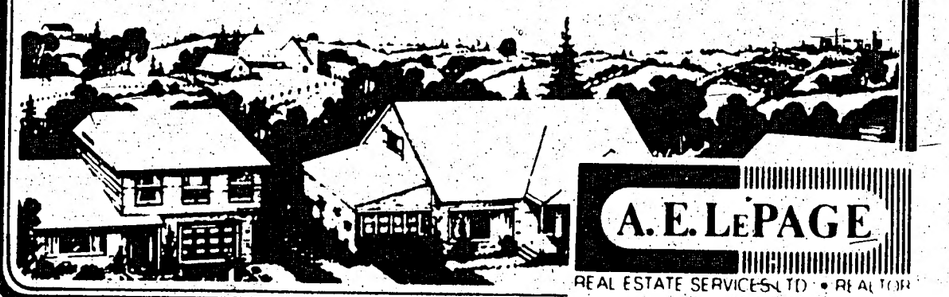

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